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SHIPPING.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited) under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, specie, and Cargo for Ports as under.

The Screw Steamship "MADURA," 2,707 Tons, 300 H.P., Commander H. B. Bate, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 17th instant, at 4 P.M.

Leaves BOMBAY	... 17	Leaves Tuticorin	... 25
,, Cochin	... 18	,, Columbo	... 26
,, Vizagapatam	... 19	,, Galle	... 27
,, Ceylon	... 20	,, Negapatam	... 30
,, Negapatam	... 21	,, Cochin	... October 1
,, Madras	... 23	,, Madras	... 2
,, Columbo	... 24	,, Vizagapatam	... 3
,, Tuticorin	... 25	,, Bimlipatam	... 5
,, Galle	... 26	,, Vizagapatam	... 6
,, Columbo	... 27	,, Point Pedro	... 7
,, Point Pedro	... 28	,, Tuticorin	... 8
,, Bimlipatam	... 29	,, Columbo	... 9
,, Calcutta	... 31	Arrives at CALCUTTA	... 9

Cargo for Bimlipatam and Chittagong can be booked by the Steamers on this line at Negapatam and Intermediate Ports for transhipment at Galle to the Steamers of another Company's Steamers, which will be despatched on the 28th instant.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF, VIA KURRACHEE.

In continuation of Cargo and Passengers at Bombay, to and from Bushire, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited) under Mail Contract with Government, despatch a Steamer every week to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, JASK, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, BUSHEH, and occasionally at BAHREN, KOWEIT, and MAHOMERAH.

The s.s. LASHMIBAI, 667 Tons, 200 H.P., Commander N. L. Tennis, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 16th September, 1874, at 9 A.M.

Leaves BOMBAY	... 16 September 1874.	Leaves BUSHEHR	... 27 September 1874.
,, Kurrachee	... 18 ,,	,, Mahomerah	... 30 ,,
,, Muscat	... 21 ,,	,, Bahrein	... 1 October ,,
,, Bunder Abbas	... 23 ,,	,, Bushire	... Oct. ,,
,, Linga	... 24 ,,	,, Linga	... 7 ,,
,, Bahrein	... 25 ,,	,, Bunder Abbas	... 8 ,,
,, Koweit	... 26 ,,	,, Muscat	... 11 ,,
,, Bushire	... 27 ,,	,, Gwadur	... 13 ,,
,, Fao	... 27 ,,	,, Kurrachee	... 18 ,,
Arrive at MOHAMERAH	... 29 ,,	Arrive at BOMBAY	... 19 ,,

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited) under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, will during the Monsoon despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every WEDNESDAY, at 9 o'clock, and an extra steamer every Saturday at the same hour.

The s.s. "PERAK," 1,000 Tons, 200 H.P., Commander R. L. Vessey, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 9th September 1874, at 9 A.M.

The s.s. "PERSIA," 695 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander J. Hood, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 12th September 1874, at 7 A.M.

The s.s. BUSHIRE, 792 Tons, 160 H.P., Commander J. Smith, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 16th September 1874, at 9 A.M.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

THE KARWAR STEAM FERRY.

THIS FERRY will RE-OPEN on TUESDAY, the 15th instant, (weather permitting).

Departure from Bombay daily at 5.2 P.M.
Departure from Reweree daily at 5 A.M.

J. A. SHEPHERD.

Bombay, 13th September 1874.

SURAT AND GOGO STEAM FERRY.

THIS FERRY will RE-OPEN for the SEASON on MONDAY, the 21st instant, weather permitting.

Departures from Gogo—Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.
Departures from Surat—Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

The Steamer will proceed to Bhownuggur every SATURDAY, and start from that Port every MONDAY.

J. A. SHEPHERD.

Bombay, 8th September 1874.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

MONTHLY LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY AND TRIESTE VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The 2 First-class Passenger Steamships FLORA, 2,350 Tons, 250 H.P., Commander ..., and ..., will be despatched on the 20th September and 20th October next. The Steamer has really good accommodation for Passengers.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	Deck.
To Trieste	£43 0	£35 0	£12-0
To Venice	£43 0	£35 0	£14-6
To Brindisi	£32 8	£22 0	£15-7

For further particulars, Fares, and for Freight and Passage, apply to the Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's Steam Navigation Company.

A. C. GUMPERT, Agent.

Opposite the Custom House, 15th August 1874.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co.'s).

THE ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS LEAVE GENOA ... BOMBAY on the 15th ... of each month.

PASSENGERS, RATES.

Through Fares through the Suez Canal by

Class.	1st.	2nd.	Deck.
To Brindisi	£32	£24	£8
To Venice	£34	£25	£9
To Trieste	£34	£25	£9-10
To Ancona	£33	£24	£9
To Messina	£30	£22	£8
To Palermo	£30	£22	£8
To Genoa	£34	£25	£10
To Marseilles	£36	£27	£10-10

Children under 3 years, free of charge. Children not above 10 years, half Passage.

CARGO STEAMERS FROM BOMBAY :—

To GENOA, to sail on THURSDAY, 1st October 1874.
To TRIESTE, to sail on SUNDAY, 1st November 1874.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to steaming.

For further information, rates of freight, &c. apply to

C. GRONDONA,
Agent Italian Steam Navigation Company,
No. 9 Hummums Street.

Bombay, 1st January 1874.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per S.S. "PARANA" are requested to send their BILLS of LADING and DELIVERY ORDERS for our inspection and countersignature, and to TAKE DELIVERY of their respective GOODS.

No claims for damage or short delivery will be admitted under any circumstances unless passed by the Captain before departure of the Vessel.

W. ... GRAHAM & Co.,
Agents s.s. "Parana."

Bombay, 7th September 1874.

SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

THE Peninsular and Oriental Company's Steamers will be despatched with H. M.'s Mails as follows :—

S.S. KASHGAR, 2,999 Tons, September 12th, to Southampton.
S.S. GWALIOR, 2,343 ,, ,, 19th, ,,
S.S. INDUS, 3,478 ,, ,, 26th, to Southampton.
S.S. NILAM, 2,723 ,, October 9th, ,,

Passengers to Malta, Gibraltar, and Southampton are only booked once a fortnight, and the Steamers proceed direct via the Suez Canal.

Passengers to Brindisi, Ancona, and Venice are carried by every Steamer, but continue to proceed by Rail from Suez to Alexandria.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Musgon on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Musgon at 3 P.M. precisely on the day of sailing.

Cargo can be shipped for the following places in addition to the usual Portsaid call, viz. :—

Messina, Leghorn, Genoa, Trieste, Odessa, Constantinople, Marseilles and New York.

F. D. PARKER,
Acting Superintendent.

Bombay, 4th September 1874.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

THE P. and O. Co.'s s.s. BARODA, 1,874 tons and 400 H.P., Captain W. W. Pasmore, will be despatched as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and having also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the owner's receipt for which is not lodged at the Company's Office before noon, on Friday, the 12th September.

F. D. PARKER, Acting Superintendent.

Bombay, 7th September 1874.

SALES BY AUCTION.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,
No. 4, FORBES STREET.

AUCTION SALE of valuable and handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Porcelain-ware, &c., at Mound house, Mazagon, next to Eden Hall.

THIS DAY TUESDAY, the 8th instant, at 4 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the above named place, the valuable and handsome household furniture, plated, glass and porcelain-ware, &c., the property of a Gentleman. The same comprises rich cut glass-ware, dinner, dessert and breakfast services, plated-ware, such as a set of dish covers, curry dishes, soup tureen, centre-piece, cruet and liqueur stand, waiter, jester pot, pickle pots and forks, dessert knives and forks, double-branched table and chamber candlesticks, cutlery, &c., carved blackwood furniture, such as set of camp tables, dining-room chairs, sideboard, whatnot, teapoy, round, pier, and writing tables, conversation and reclining couches, easy and drawing-room chairs, ornamental stand, pictures, double and single light hanging and lamp, hat stand, screen, fancy chairs, rich carpets, &c., English brass four-post bedstead, camp cots, mahogany dining tables, dressing and choral glasses, frames, clothes presses, towel horses, set of single harness, saddle, dissolving views, &c., &c.

No Catalogues and the property is now on view.

AUCTION SALE of valuable stock-in-trade, first-rate double and single barrelled breech and muzzle-loading guns, rifles, by well-known makers, best revolvers, sundry and double barrelled pistols, valuable Persian and English swords, daggers, ammunition of all sorts, sporting dresses, boots, shoes, and sundry other articles, at No. 4, Hummum Street, next door to Messrs. Jaffer Sulleman and Co.

On THURSDAY, the 10th, and FRIDAY, the 18th instant at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the above-mentioned place, the valuable stock-in-trade, shop furniture, &c., the property of Agá Momen Alloo Nuckee, closing business for proceeding to Persia.

Full particulars will be given hereafter. Catalogues will be published, and the property on view, 4 days previous to the day of sale.

BENNETT & Co.

Bombay, 8th September 1874.

BOMONJEE DOSSABHOY, AUCTIONEER,
No. 3, FORBES STREET.

FOR SALE on COMMISSION at the Room of the Undersigned, No. 3, Forbes Street.

2 New Boat-shaped Open Carriages with Lamps, suitable for one or pair. For further Cash Rs. 750.
1 Dario Buggy with Lamps.
1 Dog Cart with Lamps.
1 Half-driving Phaeton.
1 Second-hand Palanquin Dhoes Shigram. Price Rs. 135.
A nearly new English-built Brougham, suitable for one or pair by Stable, Builder to the Queen.

Also,

A few new sets of Plated and Brass-mounted Buggy Harnesses, with round rein. Price Rs. 90.

BOMONJEE DOSSABHOY,
Auctioneer and Commission Agent.

Bombay, 8th September 1874.

SAPANUND SHRICRISTNAJEE AND CO.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, the 8th instant, Messrs. SADANUND SHRICRISTNAJEE & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Auction Room, the following goods :—

5 Bales Grey Shirtings.
4 ,, ,, Cloths.
6 Cases Coloured Prints.
20 ,, Bottled German Beer.
10 ,, Hams.

An invoice of mahogany and gilt looking-glasses and a set of walnut cabriole couch and chair, lined striped screen and cushion.

Remainder of Invoice of Pictures.
3 Dozen Assorted English Chairs.

SADANUND SHRICRISTNAJEE & Co.

Bombay, 8th September 1874.

HOTELS.

MALABAR FAMILY HOTEL,
BREACH CANDY.

THIS beautifully situated Hotel, with an aspect to the open sea, has first class accommodation. It is the only Hotel in Bombay enjoying a pure Sea Breeze. Testimonials for washed on application.

TERMS—Rs. 5 per day.

Fresh Sea Water Baths can be had if required.

W. H. SARGENT,
Proprietor.

WINES, SPIRITS, BEER, &c.

GENUINE HUSCHKE'S COLOGNE WATER, manufactured only by F. MARIA FARINA,
No. 4,711,
COLOGNE.

Sole Agents for HUSCHKE'S COLOGNE WATER, and all Articles or Perfumery, manufactured by F. MARIA FARINA, Nos. 4,711, COLOGNE.

BELL, BRANDENBURG & Co.

PRICE LIST of WINES, &c., for SALE at the GODOWNS of the Undersigned :—

STILL HOCKS—Marcobrunner	...	...Rs. 30 per doz. qts.	
Laubenheimer	...	... ,, 15 ,, ,,	
Steinwein	...	... ,, 20 ,, ,,	
Liebfraumilch	...	... ,, 20 ,, ,,	
CLARETS—Chateau de Prando	...	... ,, 14 ,, ,,	
Chateau Lagrille	...	... ,, 24 ,, ,,	
Chateau Lafite	...	... ,, 28 ,, ,,	
Vrac Claret	...	... ,, 18 ,, ,,	
STAR OF INDIA PALE ALE—Rs. 5 per doz. Quarts, in 4 doz. Casks.			
Do. Do.		Rs. 3 per doz. Pints, in 8 doz. Casks.	

VOLKART BROTHERS,
Rampart Row, Fort.

Bombay, 27th January 1874.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

TODD-HEATLY AND CO.,
WINE MERCHANTS,
ADELPHI, LONDON, ENGLAND.

Direct shipments are now made

ONLY TO THE TRADE.

PRICED LISTS and TERMS UPON APPLICATION

N.B.—TODD-HEATLY & Co.'s Bottled Wines and Spirits are protected by a VEGETABLE MARK CAPSULE bearing their signature, and may be obtained

IN BOMBAY,

From Messrs. MERWANJEE COOVERJEE & Co.
Messrs. JEWANJEE BOOLJEE'S SONS,
AND OTHER IMPORTERS.

WHITMORE'S COMPOUND LINIMENT OF ARNICA.—A Specific for the cure of Rheumatism, Lumbago, Sciatica, Sprains, Contusions, Weakness of the Joints, Chilblains, &c. It is also an excellent remedy as a stimulating application to the surface of the Chest and Back in Bronchitis, Inflammation of the Lungs, Pulmonary Consumption, and Hooping Cough. When the Liver is inactive, rubbed over it, its stimulating properties have a beneficial effect, and in all cases where counter-irritation is desirable, it will be found invaluable. In bottles, small, medium, and large.

WILKINSON'S BRONCHIO-THORACIC LOZENGES.

From the receipt of it as eminent Physician, and exposure has fully justified their recommendation as the most speedy remedy in relief and cure of the Throat, Catarrhal Coughs, Bronchitis, Incipient Consumption, Spitting of Blood, &c., &c. To public Speakers and Vocalists they will be found invaluable, as they impart a clear and beautiful tone to the voice. Free from any preparation of Opium, and of an agreeable taste, they are applicable to all.

WHITMORE'S STOMACHIC AND LIVER PILLS.

No Pill is so efficacious in promoting digestion, strengthening the Stomach, correcting Acidity, preventing or removing Headache, Giddiness, &c., arising from a Costive Habit, Debilitated Stomach, or Torpid Liver. In Bottles, small, medium, and large.

The Proprietors challenge all test, and those of the most delicate constitution may take them with safety.

Taken as an adjunct with Wilkinson's Sarsaparilla with the greatest success.

Prepared only by Thomas Wilkinson, 270, Regent Street London.

BOMBAY :—

Wholesale and Retail Agents, Treacher & Co., Limited, Medicine Dépôt, Apollo and Fort, Poona.

And of the principal Firms in India and the Colonies

LIVER PILLS FOR INDIA AND THE COLONIES.

DR. KING'S DANDELION and QUININE LIVER PILLS (without Mercury), are the best remedy for Bile, Want of Appetite, Sick Headache, Spasms, Giddiness, Heartburn, Nervousness, Gout, and all disorders of the Stomach and Liver. They require no confinement or alteration in diet, and are an agreeable substitute for Calomel as an aperient, Tonic, or Purgative. Sold by all Chemists. Agents for Bombay, Messrs. Ford, Wright, and Co., Limited, 61, Mortimer Street, London, W., and all the Wholesale Houses. Wholesale Druggists and Retailers, Treacher & Co., Apollo and Fort, Poona.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE VOLKART'S UNITED PRESS COMPANY (Limited).—NOTICE.—In accordance with a Resolution passed at the General Meeting of Shareholders, held on the 6th instant, a DIVIDEND, at the rate of Rs. 100 per Share, will be PAYABLE to the Registered Shareholders, at the Office of the Undersigned, on and after 10th PROXIMO, on production of Share Certificates.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
VOLKART BROTHERS,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 7th September 1874.

THE NEW GREAT EASTERN SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY (Limited).—NOTICE.—A DIVIDEND, at the rate of Rupees One Hundred and Fifteen (115) per Share, declared at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the above-named Company, held on the 6th day of September 1874, will be PAID on and after SATURDAY next, the 12th instant, between the hours of 11 A.M. and 2 P.M., to the shareholders whose names appeared on the Register on the 26th day of August 1874, on production of their Share Certificates.

By Order,
MUNCHERJEE NOWROJEE BANAJEE,
Secretary.

Bombay, 7th September 1874.

THE PRINCE of WALES PRESS COMPANY (Limited).—NOTICE is hereby given, that a DIVIDEND of Rs. 100 per Share, for the year ending 30th June, 1874, will be PAYABLE on and after the 15th instant, to the Shareholders on production of Share Certificates in the Undersigned's Office.

By Order of the Directors,
SIR CHARLES FORBES & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 7th September 1874.

TENDERS invited for the CONSTRUCTION of an IRON BRIDGE ACROSS the RIVER TAPTEE at Surat, in the Presidency of Bombay.

Her Majesty's Government of Bombay are prepared to receive tenders for a lump sum, for the construction of an Iron Bridge over the Taptee River at Surat. The iron work to be supplied and erected by the Contractor, and the sum named is to include all the earthwork, &c., of the approaches as shown in the Drawings Plans and Specifications are on view at the Office of the Executive Engineer, Presidency, Bombay, and the Superintending Engineer, Surat. Sealed Tenders should be addressed to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Bombay, and should be placed so as to reach Bombay by the 15th October 1874, and unless they are received on or before that date they will not be considered.

The Government of Bombay do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

E. L. MARRYAT, Captain R.E.,
Acting Under Secretary to Government, Public Works Dept.

Bombay, 5th September 1874.

SPORTING AND MILITARY AMMUNITION
FOR
BREECH-LOADING GUNS,
AND
MUZZLE-LOADING GUNS.
Cartridge Fillers, Recappers, &c., &c.,
ON SALE BY
TREACHER & COMPANY, LD.,

MAPS OF INDIA.

FOR SALE, at the "*Bombay Gazette*" Office, a number of MAPS of INDIA, similar to those which are incorporated in the *Indian Travellers' Guide*.

PRICE TWO ANNAS.

THE POSITIVE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL £500,000,
OF WHICH IS
PAID UP TO DATE, £235,542 0s.
PREMIUMS ON SHARES, £25,407 5s.

POLICIES IN FORCE ON 30th JUNE 1874 (1,590), £890,000.
ANNUAL PREMIUM INCOME, £39,500.

Amount of Funds invested for Policy-holders' security ... £260,000.

INDIAN BUSINESS AT DATE.

Policies issued 549
Amount Assured ..... Rs. 37,30,000
Annual Premium Income ..... ,, 2,07,300

This result speaks for itself, and will show the public that if a large sum has been expended in establishing the Company, the magnificent outturn fully justifies the outlay, more especially as in a very short time, even at the present rate of progress, the Company will take up a position which will place it financially at the head of every Life Assurance Society known, as it already is for its perfect security to Policy-holders, for its equity, and its liberality.

EXPLANATION
OF THE
POSITIVE SYSTEM OF LIFE ASSURANCE.

The Positive Government Security Life Assurance Company, Limited, consists of over Two Thousand Shareholders, who have paid up more than *Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Pounds* of Capital, and since *Thirty-six Thousand Pounds* as Premiums on Shares, was founded for the purpose of introducing a new system of life Assurance and Investment, which confers several important advantages upon the Assured never before presented to the public.

The Positive system gives to Life Assurance a new and valuable character, by providing the highest order of security in the world for the Assured, and sweeps away all the harassing conditions and technicalities which surround ordinary Life Assurances—it puts an end to policy forfeiture, and provides the Assured with a negotiable property, on every Premium paid, and does not disturb the scientific principles on which Life Assurance has so long and safely rested.

1st.—All Policies are absolutely indisputable, and no restriction on foreign residence or travel is imposed.

2nd.—To meet all claims under Policies, specific Trust Funds are created, by the accumulation in India, in the name of the Official Trustee, of all net premiums paid on each Assurance; besides which, 20 per cent. of the paid-up capital of the Company is similarly invested in Consols in England in the names of the Official Trustees. The Trust deeds are open to inspection by intending Assurers at any Office of the Company.

3rd.—Investments must be made, in Government Securities, of such accumulated funds, which can be used for no purpose except payment of Policies.

4th.—Premiums are at universal rates, and are payable for a limited term only, instead of continuing a burthen throughout life.

5th.—Positive Notes, or paid-up Policies in the form of Promissory Notes payable at Sight, if desired, to the Assured, or assignee of the Assured, are issued for a proportionate part of the amount insured upon each payment of premium being made, that is to say, if he survives he receives to pay up by 20 annual payments the Positive Promissory Notes will be a distinct part of the amount insured.

6th.—Such Positive Notes cannot lapse, although no further premiums be paid; and are virtually paid-up Policies.

7th.—A minimum surrender value of 40 per cent. of premium paid is fixed at the time of effecting the Assurance; with an option to the Assured of borrowing such 40 per cent. from the Company on their own security.

WHOLE WORLD RATES FOR AN ASSURANCE OF Rs. 1,000 PAYABLE BY 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, OR 30 YEARLY PREMIUMS.

Age next Birthday.	5 PREMIUMS. Amount of Positive Note for each Premium paid, being one-fifth part of each Rs. 1,000 Assured. Rs. 200.	10 PREMIUMS. Amount of Positive Note for each Premium paid, being one-tenth part of each Rs. 1,000 Assured. Rs. 100.	15 PREMIUMS. Amount of Positive Note for each Premium paid, being one-fifteenth part of each Rs. 1,000 Assured. Rs. 66-10-8.	Age next Birthday.
	Rs. as. p.	Rs. as. p.	Rs. as. p.	
20	29 1 4	49 14 8	59 6 6	20
25	33 8 8	54 5 4	63 9 9	25
30	109 1 3	56 12 0	43 1 3	30
35	116 9 0	64 3 0	47 2 6	35
40	126 10 9	70 4 6	51 10 4	40
45	138 5 4	77 4 0	57 0 4	45
50	151 8 8	85 0 4	64 4 0	50
55	166 4 8	93 7 4	73 11 4	55
60	184 6 8	103 15 4	85 1 10	60

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	Rs. as. p.	Rs. as. p.	Rs. as. p.	
20	29 12 8	25 15 4	22 8 8	20
25	32 2 8	28 1 4	24 14 8	25
30	35 7 4	31 2 0	28 6 8	30
35	39 0 8	34 6 8	31 10 0	35
40	43 3 0	38 2 0	35 5 0	40
45	48 6 8	42 10 0	40 0 8	45
50	55 2 8	48 5 0	45 13 0	50
55	61 8 0	69 6 8	52 12 8	55
60	78 0 8	74 12 8	69 12 4	60

Payments may be made half-yearly, or quarterly, for particulars see Prospectus Table B and to pages 26 to 27.

The Medical examination is by SIDNEY SOPER, Esq., M.D., will see Applications at ... Bow house, Nesbit Lane, Mazagon, daily, between 9-30 and 11 A.M., or at the Fort, by appointment, at 1-30 P.M.

BOMBAY OFFICE:
TREACHER'S BUILDING,

Prospectuses, Tables of Rates, and all the usual information may be obtained on application to

J. ADDUM & CO.,
Agents for Bombay.

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W. ... GRAHAM & Co.,
Agents s.s. Riga.

Bombay, 7th September 1874.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.—NOTICE.—The ADJOURNED SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held on MONDAY, the 14th instant, at 3 P.M., when the discussion on the question of Books will be resumed.

The personal attendance of Members is particularly requested.

By Order of the Committee,
J. GORDON,
Secretary.

Bombay Chamber of Commerce, 7th September 1874.

THE NEW COLABA COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF BUILDINGS.

SEALED TENDERS will be received at the Office of the Company, up to 4 P.M. on SATURDAY, the 19th day of September next, for the erection of BUILDINGS for a COTTON SPINNING and WEAVING MILL on the Victoria Shrubs Colaba Estate. Plans and Specifications may be seen at the Office of the Company. Each Contractor must accompany his Tender with a Deposit of Rupees 20,000 Two Thousand, for which a receipt will be granted.

The Company will not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender, nor to assign a reason for the rejection thereof.

REMINGTON & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 7th September 1874.

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NOTICES.

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These Machines are strongly recommended for their superior strength, finish, and extreme accuracy of adjustment.

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		s. d.	£ s. d.
12 Table Spoons	40 oz.	at 6 0	12 0 0
12 Dessert ditto	25 ,,	at 6 0	7 15 0
12 Table Forks	40 ,,	at 6 0	12 0 0
12 Dessert ditto	26 ,,	at 6 0	7 16 0
12 Soup Spoons	12 ,,	at 6 0	3 12 0
1 Soup Ladle	11 ,,	at 6 0	3 6 0
1 Sauce ditto	5 ,,	at 6 0	1 15 0
4 Salt Spoons			2 2 0
12 Tea ditto	14 ,,	at 6 0	4 11 0
1 Pair Sugar Tongs			1 5 0
			£77 14 0

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Pickles, Sauces, Syrups.
Jams in tins and jars.
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Yarmouth Bloaters.
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Yorkshire Pork Pates.
Tongues, Game, Poultry
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EXTRACT FROM A LETTER,
Dated 18th May, 1872, from an old inhabitant of Hornsgham, near Warminster, Wilts :—

"I must also beg to say that your Pills are an excellent medicine for me, and I certainly do enjoy good health, sound sleep and a good appetite ; this is owing to taking your Pills. I am 78 years old.

"Remaining Gentlemen, yours very respectfully,
To the Proprietors of ... L. S."

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

MONDAY EVENING, 7TH SEPTEMBER 1874.

THIS morning's Liverpool Cotton Market opened quiet but unchanged, probable sales 10,000 bales, imports 1,000 bales. In New York Mid Uplands is quoted at 16¼ cents, an advance of ⅛c. per lb., but this is met by alterations in Gold and Exchange; "futures" are unaltered.

Consols open at 92¼, a decline of ¼; French Rentes have advanced to 100½; Bar Silver is still quoted at 58d. per oz.

From Reuter's general message of Saturday, we notice that there has been a meeting of Lancashire manufacturers with a view to the adoption of short time. The movement will scarcely come as a surprise to people on this side: on the contrary it has been expected for some time back, and we have more than once, of late, pointed to it as a probability. Stocks of goods have been steadily accumulating in the East for months back, a curtailment of production seeming to be the only resource of manufacturers, and it loses nothing of its significance from having been delayed for a time, as it is now only taken to under extreme pressure. Should it become general the effect on Cotton can scarcely fail to be most marked, and low as prices now are, a further decline becomes more than probable.

The Bank of Bombay Return for the week ending 5th instant shows the following changes:—

Government Treasury Balances	H. C.	Dec.	Rs. 3,19,836
Do. do.	Branches	Inc.	„ 3,75,000
Deposits		Inc.	„ 8,31,538
Government Securities		Dec.	„ 4,01,353
Loans		Inc.	„ 5,72,100
Bills Discounted		Inc.	„ 2,27,641
Cash Balances with Correspondents		Inc.	„ 69,176
Cash Balance		Inc.	„ 3,33,527

These alterations, although not very large in amount, must nevertheless be regarded as extremely favourable at a time like the present, and affords strong evidence of increased ease in the Money Market.

STERLING EXCHANGE has again shown a downward tendency, and Bank Bills are a quarter and in some instances a half per cent. worse for remitters than on last Mail day, closing quotations being:—

Bank Bills on demand	is 2 15 16d.	per rupee.
Ditto at 6 months' sight	is 10 5/16d.	„
Credits „ „	is 10¼d.	„
Documents „ „	is 10¼d. to 3/32d.	„

From Calcutta, advices show even greater weakness, private telegrams quoting Bank Bills at 1/16d. under the above level, and as our market for some time back has only been supported by the position in Calcutta we may look confidently for a further giving way before the Mail leaves.

IN GOVERNMENT PAPER there has been no great amount of business doing, but values are fairly supported. We quote:—Fours Rs. 103½; Fours and a half Rs. 104½ to ¾; Fives and a half Rs. 109½ to Rs. 110.

The SHARE MARKET shows a duller feeling, and although no very marked decline can be instanced, prices as a rule are certainly in favour of buyers. Bank of Bombays are 1 to 1½ per cent. lower; Spinning Shares are also easier, and Press property as a rule neglected.

COTTON is dull and depressed, owing to the tenor of home advices, and a reduction of Rs. 1 to Rs. 2 per candy may be made in nominal quotations. There is no demand whatever for European accounts, and with the exception of occasional small purchases for local mills, business is quite at a stand-still, even native shippers being indisposed to operate in the present uncertain state of affairs in Liverpool.

FREIGHTS are extremely dull for steamers at £1-17-6 to £1-18-9, and by sailing vessels we have not heard of any business.

PIECE GOODS continue quiet, but holders are not pressing sales, and values are not altered.

BANKS.

No. of shares	Nominal value per sh.	Paid up	Last Div. declared	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
150,000	100	all	5 p.ct.	Agra Bank	94
12,000	1,000	all	12 p.ct.	Bank of Bengal	1,720
15,000	1,000	all	12p.ct.	Do of Bombay, New	720
10,000	500	250	12p —	Do and Res. Issue	495
5,200	1,000	all	8 p.ct.	Do of Madras	1,300
10,000	250	all	8 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk of I. L. & China	315
12,000	125	all	12 p.ct.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	400 nl
40,000	100	all	5 p.ct.	Chartered Bk. of I. A. C.	175
10,000	250	125	12p p.ct.	National Bank of India	125
12,000	250	all	12 p.ct.	Oriental Bank	310

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

600	1,250	all	100	Alexandra Spinning	1,600
1,000	2,500	all	200	Alliance Spinning	2,925
500	1,000	all	—	Bhowanagar M. & P. Co	2,110
1,000	1,000	all	70 p.ct.	Bombay United	1,400
1,400	1,000	1,000	25	Broach Mills	1,000
3,000	1,000	900	—	Colaba Spinning	1,040
2,000	2,000	all	100 p.ct.	Dharumsey Spinning	1,765 nl
1,000	1,000	all	—	Fleming S. W. Co	1,430
1,500	1,000	all	200 p.ct.	Great Eastern	1,550
700	1,000	all	—	Hindustan S. W. Co	1,600
1,000	1,000	all	60 p.ct.	Jamraj Balloo Mills	1,310
1,000	1,000	1,000	—	Khandesh Spinning	1,380
2,000	1,000	1,000	—	Madras Spinning	1,135
800	1,000	350	65 p.ct.	Madras S. Spinning	1,725
400	1,000	—	—	Maneckji Petit's	1,430 nl
1,000	1,000	all	100 p.ct.	Morarjee Spinning	1,650
1,000	2,500	all	360	Oriental	4,025
500	1,000	250	—	Prince of Wales Spinning	290
800	1,000	1,000	150 p.ct.	Sonderdas Spinning	1,650
500	1,000	250	312 p.ct.	Do. do. 1/4 shares	412

* Per share for the half-year.

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

£20	£20	5 p.c.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	142
£20	£17 10s	do.	Do. New £20 Shares	18¾
£20	£17 10s	do.	Ditto	—
£100	£100	5%	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co	94⅜
£10	£10	5%	Do. New Shares	—

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	3,000	all	Rs. 50	Colaba Land Co	1,200
3,000	150	all	Nil.	Free Land & Pier Co. Ld	155
700	1,000	1,000	12p.c.	Mazagon Land	1,275
6,000	1,000	all	15p.c.	Port Canning Land Company, Limited	200

NEW BANK OF BOMBAY (LIMITED).

STATEMENT of the affairs of the New Bank of Bombay (Limited) as on the 5th September, compared with the statement issued on 29th August:—

LIABILITIES.	29th Aug.	5th Sept.
Proprietors' Capital:—	Rs.	Rs.
Amount of 10,000 Shares of Rs. 500 each, fully paid	Rs. 50,00,000	
Second Issue of 20,000 shares of Rs. 100 each, fully paid	20,00,000	
Deposits, Current and Fixed		
Amount of Call of Rs. 125 per share	12,50,625	
Bills Payable		
Amount of Call of Rs. 25 per share	2,72,675	34,88,175
Reserve Fund, invested in Government Securities	15,51,000	15,50,000
Government General Treasury Balance	6,19,106	7,90,30,350
Do. do. do. at Branches	18,33,287	27,83,038
Other Deposits	1,75,50,048	1,75,31,854
Post Bills	24,977	25,669
Cash Credits, unclassed	6,01,592	5,53,063
	Rs. 2,86,27,306	3,07,35,124

ASSETS.		
Government Securities	55,05,15	54,90,862
Cash Credits, on Security of Government Paper, Bullion, and Merchandize	11,48,975	11,77,124
Loans, on Security of Do. do.	34,90,370	30,63,025
Current Accounts, overdrawn	6,47,1	11,120
Bills Discounted	98,08,87	1,00,44,531
Bullion	8,415	9,822
Bank Stock	Rs. 3,05,87	
Amount required in addition	1,10,000	
	3,00,87	3,00,87
Bullion		
Cash Balances with Correspondents	5,21,845	4,91,025
Cash and Currency Notes	1,00,31,161	1,00,33,175
	Rs. 2,86,66,906	3,07,35,122

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE B. I. S. N. Co's s.s. PERSIA, 475 tons, Captain J. Henderson, arrived in harbour yesterday from Karrachee (September 4th) with a general cargo and six deck passengers.

THE P. AND O. Co's s.s. MALACCA, 1,041 tons, Captain S. D. Shalford, sailed yesterday for China, &c., with China Mail, Mr. J. Simpson, as passenger for Calcutta, and the following cargo:—1,850 chests opium, 170 bales cotton, 2,291 cwts Sannda stone, 1,512 cwts sandalwood, 140 bales twist, and general cargo.

THE s.s. DUKE OF LANCASTER, arrived in Madras roads on Friday night, having made the passage from London in 33 days. The following is a list of the passengers:—

For Madras—Captain and Mrs Mayor, Mrs Williamson, Miss Macfarlane, Mrs Clerk, Mr. Mrs. Mr. and Mrs Yeoway and 4 children, Messrs Turner, Cross, Hearle, Storey and Smith, and Captain Sayer's syah. For Calcutta—Messrs Jardine, Quain, King, Donaldson, Turner and Gibbon, Mr. and Mrs. Avery, Miss Avery, and Dr West.

THE s.s. TIBER, 918 tons, Captain J. M. Clarke, which arrived in harbour on the 6th instant from Liverpool (August 1st) calling at Malta and Port Said via the Canal, brought five deck passengers and the following cargo:—90 barrels flour, 325 bales twist, 17 casks disinfecting powder, 295 packages soap, 3 packages twine, 31 coffee, 2 packages paper, 13,321 packages iron, 1,892 packages machinery, 6,702 packages iron, 142 packages cotton piece goods, 185 bundles spears, 10 packages varnish, 7 packages color, 4 packages glass, 5 packages canvas, 17 packages glassware, 4 packages ironware, 440 kegs red lead, 200 barrels sulphur, 20 cases wine, 93 casks pallocks, 497 boxes bricks, and many other packages merchandise. The vessel is consigned to Messrs. W. and A. Graham and Co.

ARRIVAL.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
7	Penang (s).....	Hopkeraut ...	Karrachee, Sept. 4.

DEPARTURE.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
7	Malacca, (s)	Shallard	China, &c.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVAL.

Sept.
2 Night Hawk .....Findlay.....Mauritius, July 8.

DEPARTURES.

Sept.
8 S. John Lawrence (s) ....
Elgin (s) ....
Akasta (s) ....
Parkfield ....

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Sept.
5 Assyria (s) .... Bombay.
D. of Lancaster (s) ..... London.
Umbolla .... Mauritius.

DAILY IMPORTS.—SEPTEMBER 7.

FROM LONDON.

Grabbe s, 3 casks paint, Hormusjee Allubhoy and Co; 75 bags red lead, Ruttonsey Jewraj; 15 boxes window glass, and 85 kegs iron nails, Ambrosdin Farshally.

Carmarthenshire, 20 cases confectionery, Ruttonjee Nowrojee and Co; 2,000 Bundles nail rod from Scott and Co; 20 cases old tom, Jemsetjee Nowrojee; 6 casks ginsewarre, Hassom Allarakhia; 51 casks old tom, Manockjee Bhikajee.

FROM GENOA.

Arabia s, 50 boxes brandy, Nowrojee Ardaseer and Sons.
India s, 50 cases corks N. and B. Wadia and Co.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Esperance, 6 hogsheads brandy, Nowrojee Ardaseer and Sons.

DAILY EXPORTS.—SEPTEMBER 7.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Marian Moore, 25 bales cotton, S. L. Macnaghten.
King Arthur s, 749 bags linseed, Volkart Brothers; 26 bales wool, Adamjee Visram; 29 bales wool, Nanseebhoy Gangjee; 30 bales wool, Nebras Nattoodass; 50 bales wool; Cullianjee Govindjee; 99 bales wool, Jethia Purshotam; 34 bales cotton, Nusserwanjee Curseejee; 29 bales cotton, Merjee Hurjee; 50 bales cotton, Jairam Sewjee; 25 bales cotton, Khimjee Bhoorydass; 139 bales cotton, Khetsidass Hunmukoy.
Ariel s, 151 bags myrabolams, Bombhoy Ahmed; 158 bags wheat, Tharia Topen; 250 bags linseed, Ralli Brothers; 39 bales wool, Shamjee Veerjee; 50 bales wool and 100 bales cotton, Jaitha Varia; 100 bales cotton, Curseedass Chuturbhooj; 31 bales cotton, Assur Veerjee; 52 bales cotton, Moolchund Motichund; 100 bales cotton, Goorjee Mowjee and Co; 250 bags wheat, Mooljee Nursey.
Ithariel s, 21 bundles deer horns, Soomar Nathaj; 100 casks cocoanut oil, Soondersdass Mooljee; 1,950 bundles coir yarn, Khetseedass Ithasey; 2,250 bundles coir yarn, Veerjee Valubdas; 24 bales wool, Peerbhoy Nuthoo.

FOR TRIESTE.

Flora s, 19 bales hides and 463 packages coffee, B. I. S. N. Co; 150 bales cotton, G. Sigg and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Malacca s, 1 box silver coin, Hajee Adam Esmail and Co; 1 bale cotton, S. Pydjee and Co; 5 chests opium, Guiraj Sinarey; 9 chests opium, Juggunath Ramjee; 13 chests opium, Thakersey Sewsamul; 6 chests opium, Seokdayal Bhadoorma; 704 chests opium, B Ramoo; 28 chests opium, Sewnath Ramnath; 16 chests opium, Hajee Essee Allum; 13 chests opium, Merwanjee Manockjee and Co; 25 chests opium, Curreembhoy Ebram.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Malacca s, 7 chests opium, Nursey Kessowjee and Co; 6 chests opium, Hoshungmal Gyringdass; 21 chests opium, Guljee Sheguey; 81 chests opium, Tarachund Luckmiaroo; 14 chests opium, Budr-class Savekshaw; 4 chests opium, David Sassoon and Co.

VESSELS IN BOMBAY HARBOUR.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

998 Marian Moore, Stephens—James Mackintosh & Co.

FOR CALCUTTA.

1865 Alburia, Scott—The Captain.
1944 Bianca, Stannus—Nanabhoy & Sorabjee.
1208 Callichoe, Irving—Edward Bates & Co.
1229 Cashmere, Thompson—The Captain.
1112 Choice, Masters—The Captain.

NOT FIXED.

1321 Belvedere, Gardner—Burnham & Co.
1175 Burmah, Nicholson—P. Hormusjee & Sons.
812 Carmarthenshire, Thomas—Ewart, Latham & Co.
488 Fairy, Johnston—The Captain.
188 Great Basse, Carter.
1290 Lovaka Fletcher, Morrish—Merwanjee Nusserwanjee.
493 Ocean Bride, Ia Gross—W. and A. Co.
688 Rose Carpenter, Oathe—The Captain.
726 Superb, Nelson—The Captain.
1175 Tiverton, Cawley—Ribchie, Stewart & Co.
972 Tranmere, Ellis—Owen & Odell.
1240 Winnona, Bray—Farnham & Co.

STEAMERS.

FOR OVERLAND ROUTE.

1119 Gwalior, Hazlewood—P. & O. Co.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

723 Ariel, Brown—W. & A. Graham & Co.
763 Ithariel, Pearson—W. & A. Graham & Co.
1047 King Arthur, Johnston—W. Nicol & Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

947 Excelsior, Jones-Finlay, Kool & Co.

FOR TRIESTE, &c.

891 Flora, Marrovich—A. C. Gumpert.

FOR CALCUTTA.

1225 Bullens, Rhodes—Lyons & Co.
1316 St. Olaf, Pearson—The Captain.

FOR PERSIAN GULF.

548 Mula, Morrison—Ross bin Khalefa.

FOR P. GULF VIA KURRACHEE.

676 Chalmers, Turner—B. I. S. N. Co.

FOR COAST AND CUTCH.

768 Motus, Profumo—Ross bin Khalefa.

FOR CHINA, &c.

1041 Malacca, Shallard—P. & O. Co.

NOT FIXED.

1874 Barods, Almond—P. & O. Co.
1265 Madura, Smith—B. I. S. N. Co.
985 Paramee, Brocking—W. & A. Graham & Co.
475 Penang, Henderson—B. I. S. N. Co.
928 Sligo, Clerk—W. & A. Graham & Co.

COUNTRY TRADERS.

FOR ZANZIBAR.

265 Africa, Ramchunder—T. Topun.
198 Letitia, Nazoda—H. Thawar & Co.

FOR ADEN.

196 Sultan Bushe, Nacoda.

NOT FIXED.

450 Dry Dream, Nacoda—S. M. A. Lutiff.
188 Fazul Currim, Nacoda—H. A. C. Cader.
220 Tenasr, Nacoda—Hajee Joosub Noor Mahomed.

ROYAL NAVY AND BOMBAY MARINE

1854 Abyssinia, James—(R. N.)
300 Clyde—(Ordnary.)
190 Constance, Chappuis—(Schooner.)
472 Dagmar, Downing—(Steam Tug.)
1060 Dalhousie, Warner.
157 Magdala, James—(R. N.)

TELEGRAPH LINE REPORT.

KURRACHEE, 7th September, 8 P.M.—Latest dates from United Kingdom, via Russia, 7th September, 1-30 P.M. Latest date from Continent of Europe, via Russia, 6th September, 6-30 P.M.; via Turkey, 6th September, 2-30 P.M. Cable right to Fao; Turkish line right to Fera; Persian line right to London.

WEATHER REPORTS.

CARRACHEE, 7th September, 4 P.M.—Weather rainy, wind north, thermometer 83, rainfall 50 cents.
Cape 7th September, 4-30 P.M.—Weather cloudy, wind south-west, thermometer 75, barometer 29·92, rainfall 82 cents.
MAHABALESHWAR, 7th September, 10-45 A.M.—Weather rainy, wind south-west, north, north-west, west, thermometer maximum 70, minimum 63, wet bulb 67, barometer 29·19, rainfall 16 cents.
TUTICORIN, 7th September, 5 P.M.—Wea ther fair, w nd east, thermometer 86, barometer 29·74.
VIZAGAPATAM, 7th September, 5-13 P.M.—Weather cloudy, wind west to N.W., thermometer 77.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH OFFICE.

OFFICE—7TH SEPTEMBER, 8 P.M.

Latest dates from United Kingdom

Via Russia, 7th September, 1 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 6½ minutes.
Via Suez, 7th September, 11-55 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 2 hours 35 minutes.
Latest dates from Continent of Europe.
Via Turkey, 6th September, 2-30 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit 7 hours 54 minutes.
Latest date from China.
Via Singapore, 7th September, 8 P.M. Time in transit, 6 hours 32 minutes.
Latest date from Australia.
Via Singapore, 7th September, 7 P.M. Time in transit, 3 hours 13 minutes.

The time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay from 8 P.M. of the 6th to 8 P.M. of the 7th September is as follows:—

From	Max. Hrs.	Min. Hrs.
Calcutta	0 21	0 10
„ Kurrachee	0 29	0 5
„ Madras	0 42	0 1

HIGH COURT.—8TH SEPTEMBER.

[Before the Hon. Sir CHARLES SARGENT, Knight.]

LONG CAUSES.

14-74—P. Govan ...ee Purshotam Mooljee v Vulloo Dhunji—Remington, Hore and Langley.
46-74—Craig's Lynch and Owen—Byramjee Jejeebhoy v Parmanundas Jeewandas—M. H. Khan.
94-74—M. H. Khan—Parmanundas Jeewandas v Byramjee Jejeebhoy—Craigie Lynch and Tobin.
103-74—Prescot and Winter—Cullianjee Muddonjee v Harjeevan Visrongee and another—Fletcher and Smith.
104-74—Shapoorjee and Thacurdas—Thacker Purshotam, Q. C. and Manockshaw—K. Moregee.
105-74—Tyabjee and Sayani—Goolam Ali Khan, Vulled and Mugla Chowkara &c.—Dallas, Lynch and Tobin.
111-74—M. B. Barbhaya—Hajeebhoy Valley v Mehecally Dossa and others.
117-74—Dallas, Lynch and Tobin—Doosabhai Goverjee and another v Burjeebhai—M. M. Mounji.
118-74—Mr. Fletcher—Mariam bebee v Ameena bebee, widow.
123-74—Macfarlane and Skipsey—Sackeenabeo v Kukabhoy Abdool Alli—Fletcher and Smith.

[Before the Hon. Mr. Justice BAYLEY.]

LONG CAUSES.

138-74—Jefferson and Payne—Abdoola bin Ally Sahib Coor v Narayen Cursetna Land and others.
244-74—Craigie, Lynch and Owen—Gundeobai v Purseonmall Parmanund.
279-74—Tyabjee and Sayani—Khalphanbhoy Huttonsey v Mahomedbhoy Pudumsey.
313-74—Macfarlane and Skipsey—Shaik Esea bin &c. v Goolam Hoosein—A Craigie, Lynch and Owen.
363-74—Dallas, Lynch and Tobin—The London Bank and Mercantile Bank Limited v Byramjee Jehangeer.
267-74—A. Framjee—Sewjee Damjee v Nathoo Appajee.
356-74—M. M. Munshi—Bamonjee Nusserwanjee v Thomas Crawford.
393-74—Dallas, Lynch and Tobin—The London and Mercantile Bank Limited v H. L. C. Seitz.

FOR JUDGMENT.

22-73—Jefferson and Payne—Joosub Hajee Gunny v Jacob Hajee Jamal—Fletcher and Smith.

LONG CAUSES.

468-73—Dallas, Lynch and Tobin—Gopalrao Bhicajee v Ramchunder Govind—J. Govind.

[Before the Hon. Mr. Justice MARRIOTT.]

LONG CAUSES.

543-73—Tyabjee and Sayani—Mahomed Ebrahim and another v Mahomed Hoosein—J. G Carus.
453-73—A. Framjee—Lilla Mooljee v Navibai, widow—Jefferson and Payne.
380-74—Jefferson and Payne—Meneeklall Amaram v Dwarkadass Dayabhoy—Hearn and Cleveland.
126-73—Jefferson and Payne—T. A. Spencer and Co. v Bomanjee Merwanjee—G. J. Mody.

[Before the Hon. Mr. Justice PINHEY.]

SHORT CAUSES.

92-74—Craigie, Lynch and Owen—The Commercial Bank Corporation v Eduljee Dinshjeebhoy Shroff.
391-73—Remington, Hore and Langley—Kessowjee Naik v Alfred Preston.
233-74—M. H. Khan—Allee Mahomed bin Mahomed Ally v Allee Ackbar bin Hajee &c.
38-74—Dallas, Lynch and Tobin—The L. B and M. Bank Limited v Bhaskar Nowrojee—C. Shamrao Pandoorang.
361-74—Remington, Hore and Langley—Parbhoo Lunna v Bhoandari Rooconda—Dhanna Bhugga and another v Ramchundra Narayen.
390-74—Dallas, Lynch and Tobin—The L. B. and M. Bank Limited v Rustomjee Dadabhoy.

LONG CAUSES.

531-73—Tyabjee and Sayani—Dewraz Peerbhoy v Captain H. W. Norris—Hearn and Cleveland—Part heard.
215-73—Jefferson and Payne—Santoo's Boonjee v Fatia Deepjee—Remington, Hore and Langley.
219-73—Mr. Fletcher—Bai Jadow, widow v Tribhoovan Jugjeewun—Tyabjee and Sayani.
210-73—M. H. Khan—Narayen Jeggenath and others v Ramchund Dossa—Tyabjee and Sayani.
105-73—M. B Barbhaya—Eburmjee Noorbhoy and another v Moosajee Esmailjee—Tyabjee and Sayani.
822-69—Macfarlane and Skipsey—Esea bin Khalifa v Hajee Mahomed Currim—Tyabjee and Say ani.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS—SEPTEMBER 5.

Prendergrast, Lieut-Colonel, 2nd Madras Cavalry, on leave, from Madras.
Montgomery, Major General, Staff, on leave, from Mhow.

SEPTEMBER 6.

Wellesley, Major, 2nd Madras Cavalry, on leave, from Kamptee.
Johnson, Major General, Bengal Royal Artillery, on duty, from Simla.

DEPARTURES—SEPTEMBER 4.

Enevri, Major, 6th Brigade Royal Artillery, on leave, to Poona.

SEPTEMBER 7.

Montgomery, Major General, Staff, on leave, to Shalapore.

CENTRAL PROVINCES ORDERS.

(Central Provinces Gazette, Sept. 5.)

Maj C B Lucie Smith, Depy Comr, Nagpur, rejoined from privilege leave and resumed charge of his duties from Capt J W Macdougall, Offg Depy Comr, on the 25th ultimo, before noon.
Maj C B Lucie Smith, Depy Comr, Nagpur, is appointed to officiate temporarily as Comr of the Nagpur Division, vice Mr Jones, Offg Comr, employed on special duty.
Capt J W Macdougall, Asst Comr, Nagpur, is appointed to officiate as Depy Comr of Nagpur, vice Maj Smith appointed to officiate as Comr of the Nagpur Division.
Mr R H Finch, Asst Comr, is transferred temporarily from Bhandara to Nagpur.
Mr R Obbard, Asst Comr, is transferred from Wardha to Bhandara.
Mr R J B Thomson, Asst Engr, 2nd grade, P W Dept, Central Provinces, has passed the examination in Hindustani by the Departmental standard, and is entitled to the allow ce of the letters D S to his name.

PUNJAB GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(Punjab Government Gazette, Sept. 5.)

Surgn F M Mackenzie, Civil Surgn, Amritsar, has obtained ninety-two days' privilege leave of absence, with effect from the 3rd Aug 1874.
Surgn-Maj W B Bamsbotham, w. is appointed to officiate as Civil Surgn of Amritsar during the absence on leave of Surgn Mackenzie.
The Revd J A Stamper, Chaplain of Amritsar, has obtained two months' privilege leave of absence with effect from the 21st Sept 1874, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of the same.
Mr J P Warbertan, Dist Supt of Police, Lahore, has obtained three days' privilege leave, with effect from 1st Sept, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it.
Mr Sydney Smith, Asst Dist Supt of Police, Lahore, has officiated as Dist Supt of Police, Lahore, during the absence on leave of Mr Warburton.
Capt O Mowbray, Dist Supt of Police, Lahore, has obtained forty days' privilege leave, with effect from 17th Sept, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it.
Mr J McAlister, Dist Supt of Police, Amritsar, has obtained thirty-nine days' privilege leave, with effect from 2nd Sept, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it.
Mr T N Broome, Offg Asst Dist Supt of Police, is transferred from the Hoshiarpur to the Gurgaon district.
The Hon the Lieut-Gov is pleased to make the following promotions in the General and Irrigation Branches, P W Dept, Punjab, with effect from the 1st Sept. 1874.

ENGINEER ESTABLISHMENT.

Ex Engr 2nd to 1st grade—Maj W H Mackey, Asst Secy to Govt, Punjab, P W Dept.
Ex Engrs 3rd to 2nd grade—Capt J A Ardagh, R E, Kohat Division, Public works, and Capt D C Rowcroft, R E, Delhi Division, Western Jumna Canal.
Asst Engrs 1st Grade, to Ex Engrs 4th Grade—Mr T E Ivens, Derah Ghazikhan Division, Indus Canal; Lieut S L Jacob, R E, 1st Division, Bari Doab Canal, Lieut J B Lindsell, R E, 2nd Division, Bari Doab Canal, Lieut J Peshawar, Road, Lieut F Maxwell, R E, Persl Asst to Supdg Engr, Lower Bari Doab Canal, Lieut J F Miller, on furlough.
Asst Engrs 2nd to 1st grade—Mr R Bradley, Delhi Division, Western Jumna Canal, Lieut C Hoskyns, R E, Darajat Division Public Works, Mr H T Lang, 1st Division, Sirhind Canal, Mr D McMordie (temporarily deputed to Bengal), Lieut J W O'Callaghan, 2nd Division, Bari Doab Canal, and Mr H Smallman, Bansi Division, Western Jumna Canal.
Asst Engrs 3rd to 2nd grade,—Mr G R M Field, 3rd Division, Bari Doab Canal.
The Superintendent of the Supdg Engr, Upper Bari Doab Circle, having, with the approval of H H the Lieut-Govr, been transferred to Amritsar, all letters, &c, for that office should, from the 1st Oct, be sent to Amritsar instead of to Lahore.

MADRAS ARMY ORDERS.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Head Quarters, Ootacamund, 2nd September 1874.

Capt R J Caldwell, Asst Adjt-Genl for Musketry, is directed to proceed to Wellington, on duty, at the public expense.
Capt R B Faulke, S C, having completed a course of instruction in Army Signalling at Chatham, has been granted a certificate of qualification as Instructor.
Capt Faunce is also in possession of a first-class extra Hythe certificate in Musketry.
Surgn-Maj J Coningham, M D, Bangalore, to Medical charge, Head Quarters, C Bgde R H A, Bangalore.
Surgn-Maj M L White to medical charge, Head Quarters, C Bgde R H A, as a temporary arrangement, without prejudice to his other duties.
The following orders are confirmed:—
27th July 1874—By the Comdr-in-C 1st N I, appointing Lieut E Quin, to officiate as Dr Mr without prejudice to his other duties, vice Capt I R B Byrch.
Genl List—C-in-C 1 R B Byrch, Gr Mr, 1st N I, from 28th July 1874, for one month, sick certificate, Madras, preparatory to embarking on furlough to Europe.
10th Feb—Lieut and Adjt W F Cavaye, from 10th Aug 1874, or date of departure, Bombay, sick certificate, to appear before a Medical Board.
British Medical Service—Surgn-Maj J C Johnston, 43rd Light Infantry, Bangalore, for two months, sick certificate, from 1st Sept 1874, or date of departure.
Intimation has been received from the Horse Guards, War Office, of the following transfers of Officers of Royal Artillery:—
Col Hyder-Genl A W Mackenzie, c. from 11th to 9th Bgde.
Col C T Du Plat, from 9th to 11th Bgde.
Surgn J S Dill, M.D., from Southern District, to Presidency Division.
The following order is confirmed:—
30th July 1874—By the Officer Comg Seetsbuldee, appointing Surgn T V Ayton, 95th M N I, to assume medical charge of the Lock Hospital, Seetsbuldee, vice Surgn H J Jones, reported Dead without leave.
Medical Dept—Surgn J A Clery, M D, attached to A Batty 20th Bgde R A, to England, from date of embarkation, per P and O Steamer from Madras, for one month, before a medical board, Guilt to do duty with Europeans.
A Genl Court Martial will assemble at Bangalore, at such time and place as may be ordered by the officer Comg the Mysore Division, for the trial of all such prisoners as may be brought before it.
The Depy Judge Advocate, No 1 Circle, will conduct the prosecution.
The officer Comg the Mysore Division will detail the President and Members of the Court.
Prisoners and witnesses to be warned and are hereby ordered to attend.
H E the C-in-C is pleased to appoint Col G F Sinkspear, S C, Deputy Judge Advocate, to perform the duties of No 4 Circle, during Lieut-Col Power's absence, or till further orders, but will continue to perform his present duties, till relieved by Lieut-Col C R Wilson—On duty, at Bangalore expense.
Lieut-Col C R Wilson, Depy Judge Advocate, appointed to perform the duties of No 2 Circle—To join on the expiration of the leave granted him on 23rd July 1874.
On the departure of Lieut-Col Wilson, Col F Mardall, Depy Judge Advocate, will perform the duties of No 3 Circle.
Under instructions from Govt, a Committee compo ed as follows will assemble at such time and place as the President may direct, to consider, in connection with the Consulting Architect, questions connected with the scheme for converting the P W Workshop, Cherpank, into a Military Hospital.
President—Offg Surgn-Genl H H Massy, M D, C B.
Members—Lieut-Col J Goddard, R E, Dist Engr.
A Surgn, British Medical service, to be nominated by the President.
The under-mentioned Officers are permitted to proceed to Bangalore, on duty connected with the ranges during the approaching Rifle Meeting, reporting themselves to the Asst Adjt-Genl for Musketry, not later than the 15th instant.
Lieut-Col Gordon, Offg Brig Officer 20th N I.
Capts Harvest and Hubbersly, 80th Foot, Chapman, 2nd Wurtemburg 92nd N I, Austin, Adjt 18th N I, Hill, or 39th N I, Lynch, 46th Foot and Penrose, 97th 2nd Wurtemburg N I.
Lieut Gordon and McMurray, 86th Foot, and Peacock and Maycock, 48th Foot.
Intimation has been received from the Horse Guards, War Office, of the following changes among Officers belonging to Brigades of Royal Artillery serving in this Presidency:—
An exchange has been sanctioned between Lieut Col H V Tumbrell, "C" Bgde and Lieut Col G A Renny, v.c. of "D" Bgde R H A.
Lieut A M Renny has been transferred from No 2 Batty 9th Bgde, to D Batty 11th Bgde.
Surgn-Maj J Boulger, from attached 1st Regt N I, to Depy Surgn Genl's Dept, British Burmah Division.
Surgn A A Thomas, from Nagode, on being relieved to attached Head Quarters and Wing Head Quarters 1st N I, Hyderabad.
(Vice cancels the postings of Surgns Allison and Collis, in G O C C, dated 22nd Aug 1874.)
The following orders are confirmed:—
13th May 1874—By the Officer Comdg Ceded Districts' division: Surgn D R Thompson, M D, 2nd N I, to perform the Civil portion of the duties of the Garrison Surgn, B Hay, during the absence of Surgn-Maj L W Stewart, on privilege leave, or until further orders, without prejudice to his own duties.
19th Aug 1874—By the Officer Comdg, Palamcottah, appointing Surgn G Bryson, M D, 34th N I, to officiate as Garrison Surgn, temporarily, during the absence on special duty of Surgn F M Lockard, with effect from the 17th Aug 1874.
25th Aug 1874—By the Officer Comdg Southern District, appointing Col W F Williams, 32d N I, to the temporary command of the Southern District, with effect from the 26th instant, vice Brigadier-Genl A W Mackenzie, c. to join his Brigade at the Ootacamund.
Owen.
Surgn-Maj M L White to medical charge, Head Quarters, C Bgde R H A, as a temporary arrangement, without prejudice to his other duties.
Surgn-Maj J Davidge from Medical charge, Head Quarters C Bgde R H A, Bangalore, to Medical charge, 43rd Light Infantry.
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LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

CARLIST WAR.

LONDON, 6th SEPTEMBER.

Advices from Spain state that the Carlists have fired upon the German [illegible] replied by sending [illegible] shells into [illegible].

DISTURBANCES IN FRANCE.

[illegible] took place at Mexe in the south of France on the 4th instant, requiring the interference of the gendarmerie, who wounded nine [illegible] of the rioters.

[illegible] slight demonstrations at other places. Several arrests were made at Lyons on the [illegible].

LONDON, 6th SEPT., AFT.

[illegible] Cotton Market closed dull. Surats [illegible].

The London Corn Markets have been quiet.

Fine Uplands, 9 1/16d.

Exchange [illegible] ..... 1s. 9½d.

Oriental Bank shares £47

Chartered Bank shares £15

Imperial Mercantile Bank shares £25

Mauritius [illegible] shares ..... £27 10.

4 per cent. Paper ..... 96.

4½ per cent. do. 97¼

4½ per cent. do. 101¾

Egyptian Coupons, for account 9½

4 per cent. Unified Rente, 1877 ..... 100.

Suez Shares ..... 58.

The Bombay mails of the 15th ultimo were delivered in London to-day.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor will [illegible] morning from the Sanitarium, where he has been for the last week.

The steamer Elizabeth Marlin, with the members of the scientific expedition appointed to observe the transit of Venus at the Cape, arrived in Table Bay on the 29th of June.

The completion of the history of the Madras Army, commenced by the late Colonel R. S. Wilson, has, we are told, been entrusted by the local Government to Colonel W. J. Wilson, a brother of the deceased officer, and late Inspector-General of Jails in that Presidency.

A TELEGRAM from Fort Elizabeth, published in the *Cape Standard* of the 4th of July, says—"The ship Royal Oak, from Akyab to Liverpool, with a cargo of rice, put in yesterday for repairs, reports having experienced severe gales of wind, during which vessel was struck by lightning, thrown on her beam-ends, rudder broken, sails blown away, and 180 bags rice had to be thrown overboard to enable them to get at rudder to fix temporary guides."

The *Englishman* has been given to understand that it is the wish of the Viceroy that the late Lady Canning's Monument at Barrackpore should be removed thence to St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, and that a new one in Carrara marble, a *fac simile* of the old, with the exception of the inlaying and lapidary work, be erected at the former place. The dismantlement will be supervised by a superior officer of the Public Works Department with a view to ensuring that the tombs are undisturbed.

THE correspondents of the *Madras Athenæum* must have an easy time of it, if that journal is in the habit of receiving as original communications wholesale extracts from comparatively recently published books. The snake charming story from the *Athenæum*, which was reproduced yesterday morning in the Bombay papers, is a transcript, with very few alterations, of a portion of the ninth chapter of Colonel Walter Campbell's book, "My Indian Journal." It is the belief of at least one sounding journalist in India who now employs his facile pen on behalf of Government that it is much better for an editor, when he has little to say, to fill up the columns of his paper, leading and otherwise, with extracts from other papers, and possibly the correspondent of the *Madras Athenæum* holds a similar opinion about the rights of steam and foam.

A CALCUTTA paper tells us that there were upwards of 200 applicants for the two appointments of sub-immigration agents for the Government of British Guiana, to which a salary of £400 per annum is attached, subject to a deduction of 4 per cent. to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund. From the large number of applicants, it seems that some four or five were selected to compete, and out of these the two, who have done best, will be appointed, one of whom is Mr. Henry Walpole, late a captain in H. M.'s military service, and the only son of the late General Walpole, commanding H. M.'s Indian Army. This gentleman is said to have passed a most creditable examination in the vernacular, and in Tamil more especially. The successful gentlemen will each be provided with a free passage to their respective future destinations.

A CORRESPONDENT writes to us to complain that natives seem to be in the habit of sending their servants to the public gardens in order to supply them with nosegays. He says—"In Elphinstone Circus, the other morning, I saw a native picking all the finest flowers and making them up into bouquets, and, on enquiring by whose authority he did so, the malee told me that some Byramjee Setts connected with the Municipal office, had given him an order to allow his servant to collect what he wanted. I should like to know who the Mr. Byramjee is who arrogates to himself the right of cutting the public plants, and what he pays for the privilege? The value of the flowers may not be very great in a monetary sense, but the ratepayers are entitled at least to look at them, and unless Byramjee Sett pays the expense of keeping up the gardens he should be restricted, like the rest of the public, to that privilege only."

MESSRS. SOLOMON, MOSS, GIBBON & Co.'s St. Helena Shipping Report for June and July reports that nearly all the masters of vessels which had touched there during the forthight reported having experienced terrific weather from the 1st to the 6th of May about latitude 8 S., and longitude 37 E. Amongst the ships that sustained damages were the Prince Arthur from Coringa, the Constantine from Rangoon, the City of Vienna from Akyab, the Wimbledon from Bassein, and the Warwick Castle from Rangoon. The Jorawur from Calcutta had a narrow escape, for the captain reports: "May 1, lat. 8.30 S., long. 88.30 E.—Encountered a hurricane from N.W. to N. E., which continued until the 3rd May. The vessel was thrown on her beam-ends, and remained so for several hours; heavy seas all the time making complete breaches over her, carrying away starboard bulwarks, and damaging the cuddy and bowsprit. From May 25, lat. 29.37 S., long 40.00 E., to June 22, a succession of gales, with high seas, which strained the decks very much, and caused them to leak."

THE African traveller Gerard Rohlfs has recently explored the Desert of Sahara apparently with the view of finding out whether it is habitable by civilized beings. The oasis in it have been secluded for many years, and it is said that that of Farafrah was never visited by any European before Rohlfs visited it. The oasis of Dakhel is a large settlement, having a population of 17,000, and capable of supporting ten times the number. Westward progress was eventually barred by a sandy waste where mountains of treacherous shifting sand with broad hollows between offered no footholds for the caravan. A large and interesting addition to our knowledge of this part of the African continent is the result of the expedition, and the question whether the Great Desert can be made inhabitable is definitely solved in the negative. Who the civilized persons are who were over curious to know whether the centre of Sahara would furnish them with a suitable residence it is impossible to say. One would think a retirement were wanted there are plenty of quiet places in the world without demanding the great African Desert.

THE Hooghly Bridge bids fair to be an endless cause of disaster, and those acquainted with the velocity and strength of the current in the river at certain seasons of the year will be quite prepared to find it so. On Wednesday last, we read in a Calcutta paper, a cargo boat, while going up the river, ran foul of a steamer belonging to the British India Steam Navigation Company within the middle opening of the Hooghly Bridge, and capsized. Only one of the crew succeeded in saving his life by clinging to the anchor of the steamer, while the others were carried away by the current, which was very strong, and drowned. Also, on the same day, another cargo-boat (up-country), while coming down the river, ran foul of the bridge and capsized, the whole of the crew meeting with a watery grave. Again on Thursday last, an inland steamer ran against a third cargo-boat within the middle opening of the bridge, while coming down the river. The *manji* fell into the river from the shock the boat received, but he was fortunate enough to be picked up by the crew of the steamer. The boat was, however, in this instance not capsized and escaped uninjured. Indeed it would appear that accidents of a more or less serious character and frequently with fatal results are of almost daily occurrence.

FROM the approximate traffic return of the Persian Gulf section of the Indo-European Telegraph Department for the month of August it appears that the number of messages forwarded was 2,626 as against 1,268 and 1,308 for the same period of the years 1873 and 1872 respectively. The gross receipts were Rs. 1,00,148-7-9 as compared with Rs. 81,388-15-0 and Rs. 62,208-9-6 in [illegible] corresponding periods. The receipts are thus apportioned:—Persian [illegible] Indian Telegraph Department Rs. 21,687-6-0, Turkish Administration Rs. 709-1-9, and Persian Administration Rs. 37,017-12-9. The rate of transmission of messages between India and Great Britain during the month of August was as follows:—

	Via Teheran. hrs.	mts.
From Calcutta (average)	2	42
From Bombay	2	23
From Madras	2	46

and between Great Britain to India (Kurrachee) was—

	Via Teheran. d.	h.	m.	Via Turkey. d.	h.	m.
Longest time	0	7	28	1	11	34
Shortest time	0	0	25	0	5	26
Mean time	0	2	30	0	19	35

Of the total number of messages 70 were upon the service of Government and 3,505 were of a private or commercial nature.

THE following exciting incident is related, by the writer of "Three Months in the Forests of Travancore," in the *Madras Mail*:—"Threading our way carefully, single file along the narrow track, now cutting a path through the dense jungle with our hunting knives (essential appendages to an expedition such as ours), again getting to a clearer space, where the free breezes fanned our heated brow, and glimpses of the hill and slopes and valleys appeared through the trees, but still proceeding steadily upwards, we at length came to an open space on the verge of a steep and precipitous hill side, where we sat down to rest and enjoy the beauty of the scene. On one hand towered the mighty forest trees rising tier above tier to the blue heavens; on the other, a yawning precipice sloped down to where a mountain torrent settled among great boulders of rock far below us. While we were gazing in quiet admiration of the scene, a rustling of the trees, and sounds of hurried footsteps rapidly approaching, made us turn hastily round, and a magnificent sight greeted our astonished eyes. A noble stag, his antlers thrown back in an attitude of listening, his nostrils dilated in terror, was flying down the path straight towards us, and in another instant the cause of his terror became apparent. A splendid tiger was following in his path, rushing down the narrow gorge, leaping over every [illegible] that barred his way, and momentarily [illegible] his prey. The stag flew on not seeing [illegible] rapid haste, until he was so close we could almost have touched him, when his terrified gaze fell upon us, standing rifle in hand, though we refrained from firing, seeing the tiger behind. To go on was death from our bullets, behind the tiger who close upon him, and without an instant's hesitation he turned and took a flying leap over the precipice, the tiger, (who had never once caught sight of us, so intently was he gazing at his prey,) following in his excitement, and in a moment both the noble animals were lost to sight among the branches of the trees, where they must have been dashed into a thousand pieces before they reached the bottom."

A CORRESPONDENT of the *Lucknow Times*, writing from Bodiana, Berar, gives some particulars of a case of police torture which has lately been disposed of by Captain Huddleston, the Deputy Commissioner, and it is satisfactory to find that the punishment inflicted upon these inhuman miscreants is severe, even though it may not be commensurate with the atrocity of the crime of which they have been convicted:—Four men were arrested on suspicion in a case of murder committed in the village of Belaur, and were immediately subjected to *police treatment* in order to extract a confession—one of them, it is alleged, succumbed to the treatment he thus received, and his death was, it is said, glossed over as a suicide. The remaining three, being conscious of their innocence, held out under all kinds of tortures, some of which are unfit for publication, until a devilish device entered into the prolific brain of the inspector, who had the accused handcuffed and bound in a room, and brought their three wives before them, and threatened that, if they did not at once confess to the murder and depose as they would be tutored before the magistrate, he would have the three accused's wives forced before the eyes of their husbands. The accused, in despair, then said, "all right; do with us what you will, we will confess and swear to any and every thing that you may tell us, but do not dishonour our wives." The accused accordingly confessed before a magistrate with a circumstantiality of detail that carried conviction with it, and, were it not that the real culprit who was struck with remorse voluntarily came forward and confessed, these three innocent men would most assuredly have been hanged. The sentences passed on the three accused are—Inspector Kurreem Khan to 7 years' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 100 with the alternative of another year and a half. Chief Constable Sewram Singh, to 4½ years and Rs. 200 fine, with the alternative of another year; and the Deshmook of the village to three years' rigorous imprisonment.

DELAYS OF JUSTICE IN THE HIGH COURT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—On the 6th of August last the Right Hon'ble Sir R. J. Phillimore, Dean of Arches, delivered judgment in the "Exeter Records" case—it was an appeal from a decision of the Lord Bishop of Exeter. In the report it is stated that the case had been argued on three days at the latter end of July, and that the Dean of Arches, in giving his judgment, said that the case was one of considerable importance.

Now that discussion is going on in your paper as to the length of time which some of the learned judges in Bombay take in considering their judgments, I call your attention to this "Exeter Records" case, to show that there a fortnight, for consideration, was deemed sufficient.

If you watch the decisions in the Courts at home you will find they are generally given either at the close of the trial or within two or three weeks afterwards.

Kindly direct your reporter in future, when he sends you a judgment for publication, to inform you at the same time on what day judgment was reserved, and then, if you would give these dates a prominent place in your journal, the public would be able to judge whether the charge of dilatoriness that has been brought against the High Court is well founded or not.

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* We shall try to carry out our correspondent's suggestion. It is very fair to say, with reference to the complaint of delays or justice in the High Court, that no one has a word to say against Sir Charles Sargent and Mr. Justice Bayley, who always do their work [illegible]—ED. *B. G.*

A NEEDLESS UNNECESSARY DISCLAIMER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The authorship of certain letters that have appeared in your paper, headed "The Delaying of Justice in the High Court," having been attributed to me in several places, I beg to be allowed the opportunity of emphatically stating that I have had nothing whatever to do, either directly or indirectly, with those letters. I should not have thought it necessary to notice these unfounded suspicions against me, if I did not see that they stood a chance of being in a manner confirmed by the casual mention, in one of the letters, of a suit in which I am personally interested, and if I did not observe indications of their existence in quarters where it is most desirable they should not for a moment exist.—I have, &c.

NUSSERWANJEE ARDASEER WADIA.

Bombay, 7th September.

THE DHOBIES' ITCH.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Your correspondent "The Antiquary" writes—"There is no excuse for 'Soap,' as he knows the nature of the disease, although he does not seem to know how to prevent it." Quite true! I do not know *how to prevent it*, and that is what is required to be discovered!

With regard to the lecture about disinfecting clothes, &c., I may relieve "The Antiquary's" mind at once, by stating, directly, I found I had the rash, I sent for my doctor and was speedily cured, and all my clothes were thoroughly disinfected. What others did I know not, I neither control their actions, nor their backbreakers.

I would remind "The Antiquary" that the custom is, the doctors report *diseases, not patients*; and I apprehend if the sanitary authorities require any information on the subject, they can easily get it from the doctors and chemists (especially Kemp and Co.), who dispense the Goa Powder.

SOAP.

7th September.

BOMBAY.

THE WALKESHWUR FAIR will commence on Thursday next, the 10th instant, and continue for five days.

VAGRANTS.—James Wilson and James Simpson, Europeans, were placed yesterday before Mr. Nanu Morojee, and charged with wandering about without any ostensible means of support. His Worship directed them to be sent to the Government Workhouse.

WE have been requested to notify, for the information of the charitable public, that the Police poor-box has for some time past been quite empty, and it has, in consequence, been found impossible to comply with numerous applications for relief from deserving objects of charity.

A CORONER'S INQUEST.—An inquest was held on Sunday last, at the J. J. Hospital, touching the death of one Mungoola, a little Hindoo girl. Verdict—That death was caused by her having eaten a piece of opium which, during her mother's absence from home, she had taken from a box in which it was kept.

A REPUTED THIEF.—Shaik Hossain Ismail, an old offender, was charged yesterday, before Mr. Nana Morojee, with having been found loitering about Shaik Abdool Rayman Street, on the previous night, without being able to render a satisfactory account of himself. The prisoner was sentenced to imprisonment with hard labour for two months.

THEFTS.—One Cassina Curreem was yesterday sentenced by Mr. Nana Morojee, at the Fort Police Court, to six months' rigorous imprisonment, for stealing a rupee from the person of a certain Motee Rutna.—One Bassier Damodar reported to the police the theft of gold ornaments, of the value of Rs. 172, from the persons of himself and his wife, while they were asleep in their room on the night of Saturday last.

SASSOON MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—Mr. Eugene C. Schrottky will deliver the second of a series of lectures on the Principles of Rational Agriculture and their application in India, at the rooms of the Sassoon Mechanics' Institute, this evening, at 5-30. Members are requested to attend. The lecture is open to the public, and natives who are interested in the furtherance of Indian agriculture are especially invited.

THE second anniversary of the V. J. S. Knowledge Improving Society was held on Sunday last, at the Society's hall, at Breach Candy Road. It was largely attended by distinguished members of the Hindoo community, amongst whom was present Master Balla Sahib Vinayekrao. After the reading of the annual report several gentlemen addressed the meeting. A plentiful distribution of nosegays and sprinkling of rose-water followed these, and the meeting separated after passing a vote of thanks to the chairman, Mr. Nanabhay Sadanund Kale.

CRICKET.—The conquering match between the Bishop's High School and the Colonial Cricket Club was played on Saturday, the 5th instant, on the Finance Ground. The playing was excellent on both sides, especially the fielding of the Colonial, and the batting and bowling of the Bishop's High School, which was well deserving of praise. Messrs. V. Donohoe and A. George distinguished themselves on the Bishop's High School side, whilst on that of the Colonial, Messrs. C. George and T. Mazumdara did so. The exciting game commenced at 2 P.M. and ended at 6 P.M. in favour of the Bishop's High School, who were the conquerors by four runs.

ASSAULT.—David Brown, a European, was yesterday charged before Mr. Nana Morojee with assaulting one Lali Sing Shewsing on the previous day. Complainant stated that he was walking along Dhobie Talao road when the prisoner came up and, for no reason whatever, struck him a heavy blow on the chest, which threw him down. The defendant alleged that he was drunk, and scarcely knew what he was doing at the time. His Worship, however, fined him Rs. 5, and upon the representation of Inspector Austen, who stated that he had observed the defendant for the past three weeks wandering about without any visible means of subsistence, his Worship ordered him to be removed to the Government workhouse.

FATAL ACCIDENT IN THE HARBOUR.—We regret to record a melancholy accident that occurred on Sunday last, in the harbour, to one of the crew of the s. s. Excelsior. It appears that one Patrick O'Toole, an ordinary seaman, had been drinking freely during the day, and, later in the evening, was so considerably elevated, that he insisted upon fighting some one of the crew. O'Toole openly declared his intention, but none of the men seemed disposed to accept his challenge. He at length selected one of the sailors, Heaney, whom he offered to fight for mere pastime. Heaney, however, replied that if O'Toole would content himself to wait till the following morning when he should be sober, he would have no objection to engage him. O'Toole was not to be satisfied and lost no time in taking his coat off and striking out at Heaney. A scuffle then took place in which both the men fell overboard. They immediately sank, but while under the water, O'Toole missed his hold of his antagonist, who came to the surface, and was rescued by means of a rope which was thrown out to him. The unfortunate man O'Toole, we are sorry to say, was never seen again, and his body up to the present time has not been recovered. It may be mentioned that two others of the crew plunged into the sea after him, but failed to succeed in rescuing him.

PRINCE OF WALES PRIZE COMPANY.—An extraordinary general meeting of shareholders of the company was held yesterday, at its registered office, Rampart Row. Mr. G. F. Bimingham was in the chair. The notice convening the meeting and the directors' report having been read, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:—

Proposed by the Chairman, and seconded by Mr. H. R. Cormack, That the directors' report and balance sheet for the year ending 30th June 1874 be received and adopted.

Proposed by Mr Cormack, and seconded by Mr. Vulubdas Nursey, That a dividend of Rs 180 per share be declared out of the profits of the year ending 30th June last, payable on and after the 9th inst. to the shareholders on the register on the 30th June last.

Proposed by Mr. Vulubdas Nursey, and seconded by Mr. Sorabjee Muncherjee, That H. R. Cormack and W. T. Crockett, Esqrs., be re-elected directors of the company.

Proposed by Mr. Nusserwanjee Furdoonjee, and seconded by Mr. Ruttonjee Muncherjee, That Mr. S. W. Read be re-elected sole auditor of the company for the current year at a remuneration of Rs. 200.

The proceedings closed with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

FALL OF RAIN IN BOMBAY.

	Fort. In. mts.	Byculla In. cts.	Colaba In. cts.
Bombay, September	1.89	0 53	0 18
Previously registered	73 67	81 0	19 35
Total	75 56	81 53	19 53

INDIAN NEWS.

THE notorious forger Rugia Hussin has at length met with his deserts, and on the 31st ultimo had a sentence of nine years' rigorous imprisonment passed upon him by the Commissioner. The Prosecutor for the Government, Mr. Jackson, displayed his usual legal acumen in his conduct of this important case, but it is not too much to say that, owing to the skilful manner in which he unravelled the hidden, or at most only partially revealed, chain of villainy that by which punishment for this daring forger's operations, the law had no option left it but to convict.—*Dhukun*.

THE RIFLE MEETING.—One officer, 22 men of H. M.'s 1-24th Fusiliers left Madras by Thursday evening's train for this station to take part in the annual rifle meeting to begin on the 10th instant. Other teams are expected from Bellary, Hyderabad, Poona and other places, and all promises well for a very successful meeting this year. Considering that Bombay, Calcutta and the Upper Provinces are all open to Bangalore by rail, and that the station is delightfully pleasant at this time of the year, there is every reason to believe that the hearts of hotel keepers will be made glad within them, by reason of the influx of visitors that may be expected from every part of India.—*Bangalore Examiner*.

THE BOAT OFFICE ON THE PIER.—A Correspondent writes:—"How thankful I do feel to Government for having established a boat office for the convenience of passengers. I have no doubt that the public at large will fully appreciate this office. There are few, I fancy, who are not acquainted with the capers of the Madras boatmen. These men used to drive one almost to desperation. The tide of events, however, has now changed, and that, too, very much against the boatmen, who have not that hold over passengers they once had, and the latter can embark and disembark without being in the least worried. The official in charge, styled, I believe, a Serjeant, (not a policeman, by the way,) attends to the wants of the passengers in a way that is very commendable. It is a pity that the establishment of an office of this nature was not thought of before; but we ought to be thankful even for small mercies, and great praise is due, even at so late an hour, to the projector."—*Madras Mail*.

THE BANGALORE HINDOO WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.—We regret to learn that Bangalore has its financial scandals as well as Madras. A defalcation in the Bangalore Hindoo Widows' Fund has, we hear, been discovered to the tune of some Rs. 9,000, and the accounts, it is said, are still being looked over. There was a meeting held, we believe, last Sunday in the Office, when it was resolved to make private arrangements to endeavour to recover the money. We think this is not fair to the public or the subscribers, here and upcountry, and there cannot be any confidence in the stability of the Fund, when defalcations to such a large amount are so leniently looked over. An outstation correspondent thinks the matter should be brought before the public courts in justice to those concerned, and he strongly disapproves of compounding what to him seems to amount to a felony. The members should stand out for their rights like those of the Madras Widows' and Orphans' Fund.—*Bangalore Examiner*.

THE FRENCH OPERA.—The performances on Thursday night, which was honoured by the presence of the Viceroy, consisted of the classic operetta, *Le Bouffe et le Tailleur* by Gaveaux, and Offenbach's well-known little gem, *Lischen and Fritzchen*. The music of the first piece was looked forward to with considerable expectation, which was not disappointed, though we think some of the singing exercises were a little too long, and might have been cut down with advantage. The principal parts were ably sustained by M. and Mme. Deplace and M. Nordet; and Mme. Helene Julien acted better in a male character than she has hitherto done female characters. Of *Lischen and Fritzchen* we need say no more than that it was played by M. and Mme. Deplace, if anything, better than before, the favourite duet being again encored with a vigour that admitted of no refusal. The spirit and energy of these two talented artistes are beyond praise, and their powers of endurance little short of marvellous. We understand that His Excellency the Viceroy was much gratified with the performance, and has expressed his intention of being present again on Thursday next.—*Englishman*.

A FAMILY OF SWINDLERS.—A curious case of swindling is at present pending before the Honble Moulvie Abdul Latif, Khan Bahadoor, Deputy Magistrate of Alipur, in which one accused person, named Mirza Hidayut Hossain, is charged with having swindled a native type-founder out of rupees eight hundred at the house of Prince Sekunder Shah, of the [illegible] Mirza Hidayut Hossain, the prisoner, is the grandson of the late father of the accused, named Mirza Moortaza Beg, of Lakhnau, was convicted of swindling by the late Supreme Court, and was on conviction transported for seven years. Soon after his return from the penal settlement, he was along with the accused, then a lad of eighteen years of age, convicted in another case of swindling by the late Supreme Court in 1862, and transported for seven years. Shortly after the above the father and uncle of the accused were also convicted of swindling and sentenced by the said tribunal to transportation for seven years. The accused had represented himself to the prosecutor as Prince Sekunder Shah, who wanted to purchase a printing press, and thereby induced the prosecutor to deposit the said sum of rupees eight hundred as security towards the fulfilment of the contract, while the said Prince Sekunder Shah was at the time undergoing imprisonment at the Alipur Jail.—*Englishman*.

THE LATE LIEUTENANT GARDNER.

SINCE our last we have gathered the following additional particulars of the loss of Lieutenant Gardner and several of the crew of H.M.S. Kestrel at Ma-su Bay, in the typhoon of the 17th ult. while engaged in salvage operations from the wreck of the steamer Lapteh. The force of the wind became fearful during the first watch, and at twelve o'clock at night, all hands were called on board the Kestrel (which after leaving the party at the wreck, had returned into Keelung harbour), and ordered to take down awnings, the stokers to get up steam, and the port anchor to be let go. Notwithstanding these precautions, the Kestrel still drifted towards the shore, and at 1-15 a.m. the winds shifting a little, carried away her starboard anchor and one length of cable. When daylight broke, the ship was found to have dragged to the other side of the harbour from where she had lain the previous night. Just astern of her, a large junk was seen dashed to pieces on the rocks. At 6-15, the same (Saturday) morning, the news reached the ship that seven of her crew had been drowned the previous night at the wreck of the Lapteh. Their names were:—First Lieutenant C. Gardner; John Scarf, second captain of the forecastle; Robert Mingo, able seaman; John Westmoreland, leading stoker; Henry Higgins, George Osborne, Hubert Simmons, stokers. Mr. Jones, the chief Engineer, and the remainder of the Kestrel's men, who saved their lives, arrived on board that vessel on the Sunday afternoon following. They were all much cut and bruised, from having been dashed by the waves on to the rocks and against portions of the Lapteh's wreck. A party of seamen were sent from the Kestrel to search for the bodies of their drowned shipmates, but their search was unsuccessful. On the 21st, the body of Robert Mingo was picked up. He was buried the same day at Keelung, about twenty English residents at Tamsui and Keelung, in addition to his shipmates, following the remains to the grave, over which three volleys of blank cartridge were fired. A subscription has been started on board the Kestrel, at Keelung and Foochow (where the ship is now lying), for the purpose of erecting a memorial to the victims of the catastrophe. Up to latest date the handsome sum of £63-0 had been subscribed.

As showing the uncertainty of the weather changes in these latitudes, and that danger to boat's crews is as likely to arise in calms as well as storms, we mention an incident which befell Commander Theobald, the doctor, and four other members of the crew of the Kestrel, causing them considerable inconvenience if not danger. They left the ship in a yacht to survey the rock on which the Lapteh struck, on Monday, the 13th ult.ne, and were to return to dinner at seven the same evening. They did not return, and the night having passed without any sign of them, the boatswain and five seamen were despatched at four o'clock next day in the gig, in search of them. The gig got back at eleven at night, not having been able to find the missing party. It was not till the following Tuesday that tidings were received of their safety, when a letter arrived from Tamsui, stating that they had reached that place. They returned on board the Kestrel the same afternoon. It appeared that the wind died away, the yacht drifted out to sea, and they gave themselves up for lost. They drifted until Wednesday night, when a breeze sprang up, and blew them ashore among some rocks. The yacht was dashed to pieces, but her occupants managed to reach to shore. Their predicament here was as bad as being afloat. There were no means of conveyance, and they were obliged to walk to Tamsui, from whence they ultimately reached their ship.

News from Japan and the Outports, which is this week of singularly little interest, will be found elsewhere.—*Japan Herald*, August 1.

IMPOVERISHMENT OF THE AGRICULTURAL POPULATION.

ART. II.

(*Bombay Public Opinion*)

In this article we intend some additional causes of the unfavourable results we have observed in the condition of the agricultural population.

Native writers, and such as are hostile to the Government, may and do state, that the land revenue is, in some places, too burdensome for the people, but we cannot think that is so. We are willing to admit that land revenue in any shape or form is a very undesirable impost, and has always retarded the progress of a nation. It was principally from a land-tax the ancient Roman revenues were derived, and history tells us, how the subject provinces fared under the system, particularly when it was severely enforced. Among the Roman Emperors there was no one perhaps, more harsh in his taxation than the Christian Constantine. Within seventy years after his death, Gibbon states, an exemption was granted in favour of 320,000 English acres of desert and uncultivated land in the once fertile and happy province of Campania, the scene of the early victories and of the delicious retirements of the citizens of Rome. Gibbon ascribes this impoverishment to the character of the administration, that is, to the severity of the taxes of the Roman Emperors. Those who have traversed the country between Naples and Rome have admired its extraordinary beauty and overflowing fertility; and can with difficulty understand, how or-eighth of that splendid province could ever have been turned into a desert by any human oppression. In Gaul, the modern France, the Emperor Constantius wrung from the people seven millions sterling. This revenue, being deemed inordinately oppressive, was reduced to two millions by the noble, but unsuccessful, Julian. In the end of the eighteenth century, France like England, without a landtax yielded a revenue of eighteen millions sterling; and we have lately seen the incredible facility, with which it paid off the huge money demand of the German Empire.

There is very little doubt, that at some future period of the history of India the land-tax must be altogether commuted; but when that time arrives the problem for consideration is, how a Government is to be maintained. The wants of the people at present are few, there is almost no manufacturing industry, and it would be utterly impossible for a Government to exist without the present source of land revenue. That, we consider, has been reduced fully as low as is consistent with efficiency of administration; and very much lower, than it ever was under the most clement native rule. In villages, in different parts of the Punjab, we have frequently made enquiries regarding the amounts of their land revenue at different periods. The average results of our enquiries may be familiarly described as follows. After the annexation of the Punjab a village was assessed, say at Rs. 1,800 yearly, demanded on account of land revenue. This sum was based on the average products, so far as it could be ascertained, of the village for the preceding three or four years. On the occasion of the first regular settlement, Rs. 1,800 was made Rs. 1,500, and at the second regular settlement the revenue was assessed at Rs. 1,200. The land revenue of the province has thus, we think we may safely say, had in most cases a downward tendency, until, under Mr. Prinsep's late unsatisfactory settlement administration, we apprehend there would be no land revenue left! The Government themselves were of the same opinion, and hence some of the numerous official difficulties in which that official found himself involved.

We think, then, we have shown, that there is no just ground for charging our Government with erecting an exorbitant land revenue. There are, however, matters which must be taken into consideration in connection with this subject. In our article of the 11th August we referred to the difficulty experienced by a Mussulman in paying revenue by means of metallic currency, and we need not again enter on the subject. But we have heard complaints from the natives in several parts of the country, that the revenue demand was exacted before the gathering in or even the ripening of their crops. For instance, a revenue demand is in some districts in May, while the crops are often not ripe till June. If these complaints be true, we certainly think they deserve to reach the ear of the Government. It is very hard for the poor Mussulman agriculturists to have to resort to the banias in any case, and it is doubly hard that he should be obliged to do so through a mistaken Government calculation of the date of gathering in his harvest.

We should forfeit our character to the claim of impartial writers, if we did not, while we are on this subject, allude to the steady draining away of money from our country without any such corresponding influx as the price of indigenous produce. Natives for the most part wear Manchester cotton fabrics, children play in the lanes with English and French toys, Mundlois write on foreign paper, the sick drink foreign medicines, native ladies wear imitation pearls manufactured in Paris, the toper has his foreign manufactured glass, out of which he drinks French or British brandy, the sportsman of position shoots with a rifle purchased in the Strand, and the English speaking native official has begun to adorn his understandings with stockings from Paisley or Leicester, and patent leather boots and shoes made by machinery in Birmingham. Since patriarchal customs were abolished with patriarchal rule, and the [illegible] route ceased to be [illegible] [illegible] has had a continual influx of European ladies into India—what Sir John W. Kaye calls "an avater of English maidens with the roses of a Western summer still fresh upon their cheeks." Like Proserpine by Dis, these maidens with their roses are soon gathered in matrimony by Englishmen! These fair ones in time give birth to children, a goodly store. This store increases and flourishes amain. It is clothed with English raiments, and fed with English wine and lollipops, is sent to England, in due time, for its education; and perhaps, maintained there for a considerable period afterwards on Indian money. But even when Englishmen do not commit the indiscretion of marrying penniless girls in India, their spare money is now principally spent out of the country. Instead of the cooling sherbets and the bubble-bubble of yore, the Englishman now drinks European liquors and smokes Manilla Cheroots; and for the Indian made turbans and pyjamas which erst delighted his soul, he dons the Ferighi topi and the fancy trousers of the best London tailors. It would appear that the greater the number of coin-producing Englishmen who come to India the greater will be the drain of money from the country.

To check this drain, India's resources require fuller development.

Very few of its articles of export to Europe are of first quality. Its cotton cannot, in any way, vie with the American, much less the Egyptian product, its rice, we somewhere lately read, cannot equal that of British Burmah, its tea is inferior to the real Chinese article, its tobacco is contemptible, and its woven fabrics and jewellery are only remarkable for their barbaric and costly ornamentation. On the other hand, the Cinchona of the Neilgherries is superior to the best Peruvian bark, a gentleman in Ceylon has assured us; and there seems no reason why our indigo, our dyes, and our mordants, should be inferior to those of other countries. No progress has apparently been made in the manufacture of wine or malt beverages; stores of iron and other minerals are allowed to remain undisturbed in their matrices in the valleys of the Himalayas. Waste jungles, tenanted by the wolf and the jackal, might be induced to yield valuable crops; the caper and cassia-oil tree would, with some irrigation, grow in profusion in the wildest tracts of the Bar and the waters of our great provincial rivers might be utilised, as well to turn mill-wheels on their banks for the fashioning of the earth's produce, as to mollify the thirsty cravings of the still unsatisfied deserts.

We would most earnestly urge on the Government the necessity of establishing schools of art and design wherever practicable. Notwithstanding the contempt of the upper classes of the natives for handicrafts, a sufficient number of pupils would, we believe, be found, who with proper encouragement, would study with profit the application of science to the mechanical arts and trades. The Government itself should also embark in industrial speculation whenever there appeared a fair promise of success, and would not interfere with but encourage private enterprise as it too often does. At present, officials, who from the great bulk of the European population, are forbidden to trade or traffic, and indeed they have not often sufficient capital or skill, the natives are altogether wanting in special knowledge; and who is to undertake commercial schemes of national utility and beneficial example? Clearly the Government, with the present condition and the present population of the country.

(*To be continued.*)

CAPTAIN ASHTON MAYNE ON THE TRANSIT OF VENUS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "NATURE."

As none of your readers are likely to accuse me of being scientific, I hardly like to refer to an expression in my letter of 18—24 July last, in which I suggested among other ideas that the ligament of Venus might after all be only the *tail* of her shadow. I rather wish I had used the word "cone" for the other sounds disrespectful! Still, the more I think of it, the more convinced I am that it is nothing else!

The plate accompanying Mr. Proctor's articles on the application of photography to the approaching Transit of Venus (monthly notices R. A. S. for January 1870 p. 92) show the "passage of the Earth through Venus' shadow cone," the angles close in from Ingress to the coincidence of the planes of the centres in a perpendicular at the middle of Transit and then open out again towards Egress. The angles just before Ingress, and just after Egress are also shown.

Further the same author in an article of the previous month, on Spectroscopic observation of the Transit, p. 37, suggests a method for observing the "Ingress and Egress of the Planet on the Sun's Chromosphere."

The published accounts of former Transits, within the reach of amateurs, are so meagre, that one is driven to guess work as to the cause of the ligament;—but I believe that the solution of the enigma has been suggested in the above articles, among his other wonderful discoveries and infinite labours in Astronomy, by Mr. Proctor, and that the ligament is nothing more or less than *the cone of the shadow of the Planet* [illegible] *Globe*, as it [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

EUROPEAN EXTRACTS.

AFRICAN EXPLORATION.

GOTHA, Germany, June 1.—Six months ago I communicated to *The Times* an account of the farewell banquet given to the African traveller, Gerard Rohlfs, at Weimar, with his statement of the plan he had adopted for an exploration of the unknown parts of the Libyan Desert, lying westward of the chain of Oasis which are under Egyptian jurisdiction. Since then the journey has been made, the members of the Expedition have accomplished all that was possible to them under the circumstances, and Rohlfs is again safely installed in his comfortable home in Weimar, engaged in preparing for narrative for publication. From time to time, during the exploration, letters or portions of letters from him, and also from his scientific associates, Profs. Jordan, Zittel, and Ascherson, have been published in various German periodicals; but, as it is hardly likely that any of these have been reprinted in America, or that the complete report will appear for a few months to come, I have collected the material and compiled from it an outline of the explorations which may temporarily satisfy the curiosity of those who feel an interest in them.

As will be seen, Rohlfs failed in one of his chief aims—in reaching his "objective point," the reputed or conjectured Oasis of Kufrah, lying in the very heart of the Libyan Desert, or rather nearer Fazzan than Lagos; yet in every other respect the journey was a remarkable one, especially in regard to the new possibilities which it suggests in African travel. Compared with Sir Samuel Baker's last exploit, it may well be termed a triumph, considering the modes of transportation, the nature of the time employed, and the small outfit by which it was obtained. The Khedive, at least expressed himself highly satisfied in this case, and rewarded the members of the expedition with orders and presents on their return to Cairo, six weeks ago.

When Rohlfs and his companions landed in Alexandria, on the 27th of last November, the most important of the preparations had already been made. The tanks of galvanized iron, carrying 1250 pounds of water each, were on hand, provisions, tents, and equipage were in readiness, and a short time sufficed for the organization of the caravan. A letter being welcomed at a special meeting of the Egyptian Institute, Mariette Bey presiding, the party were forwarded to Siout, in Upper Egypt, by rail and steamer. Here, Rohlfs determined to proceed directly to Farafrah, the westernmost of the Libyan Oasis, by a practicable but rarely-travelled and undescribed route.

The difficulties to be encountered were chiefly of a material character. The Egyptian Government guaranteed the safety of the expedition within its borders, and made the chiefs of the small desert tribes between the Nile and the Oasis responsible for any hostile movement. The Khedive gave Rohlfs the unlimited use of 55 camels, and hired 65 additional for three months. There were thus 100 animals and 20 men, including guards, camel-drivers, and servants, to be provided for. The transportation of water and food for the camels through a region where vegetation is utterly lacking required a much larger caravan than will needed for the security of the travellers.

Leaving Siout on the 17th of December, the caravan skirted the western edge of the Nile-valley, northward, for two days, to a village called Marak, near which stands Deyr-el-Mer, a large Coptic monastery, the inmates of which received the travellers with great rejoicing, claiming them as fellow-Christians. A day's halt was made at this place, to complete the organization and the final supplies, to fill emptied tanks with fresh Nile-water, procure additional sacks of beans for camel-fodder, and as much fresh meat as the place afforded. On the 21st the caravan turned its back on the glorious green of the Nile fields, heading nearly due westward into the desert.

An ascent of about 150 feet led to the first plateau, a bare, gravelly waste, traversed by low, rocky ranges or dotted with these isolated mounds of crumbling limestone which so-called "witnesses" (*temoins*) since they give evidence of originally higher formations. The horizon was bounded by ridges from 30 to 100 feet in height, the plains between being rarely more than three or four miles in breadth. The botanist, Ascherson, found no vegetation except a few bunches of dry, wiry grass. The rate of travel was nine hours a day, the camels averaging little less than three miles an hour. The temperature at 8 in the morning was only 35 deg., while at midday it never rose above 77deg. in the sun. The plateau very gradually increased in height, until, on the sixth day, it reached an elevation of 1,000 feet above the sea level, after which it fell off again to the westward.

On the 27th there were signs of an approaching change in the scenery. The higher levels sank rapidly and finally terminated in a wall or escarpment of nearly perpendicular rock, of the oldest eocene formation, more than 300 feet in height, which they had the plateau has only been "negatively explored"—that is, that it is uninhabitable, and cannot be explored without the most careful preparation and good luck added thereto.

If the Khedive indulged in any dreams of new annexations, he has been disappointed. The (fabulous) Oasis of Kufrah, which Rohlfs hoped to reach, was described as being very large and well-watered, yet uninhabited. This seems to me an incredible story; but, if it were true, the great Libyan sand-sea must prevent any practical connection with Egypt. What political ambition may have for its science has gained and the effect of this last African exploration will be to discourage other efforts, made on the same admirable plan.—*Correspondent of New York Tribune.*

THE COMTE DE PARIS

(*Spectator.*)

We have not read the volumes that the Comte de Paris has published on the American Civil War; but we have little doubt that their literary merits are more than respectable, and still less doubt that they will make the doors of the French Academy fly open at the next vacancy, even if such plebeian men of letters as M. Taine or M. About should be bowed away with a cold sneer. The Academy likes titles more than it likes style. It is proof against the literary fascinations of Renan, but it cannot resist the advances of any Royal Highness who writes passable French. The "reception" of the Comte de Paris will be a red-letter day in the calendar of the ancient-regime aristocracy and the first-rate bankers to whom the reign of Louis Philippe was the golden age of France. If the Comte de Paris were to be officially welcomed to the Academy by his uncle the Duc d'Aumale, the literary festival of the Orleanists would be complete. Much might be hinted about the political glory and the domestic virtues of a King who always contrived to desert his friends in the nick of time to save himself from sharing their ruin, until the impatience of Paris forced him to fly from the Tuileries in a cab. Something might also be said about the healthy wish of the old monarch that his sons should be well educated, and about the boldness with which he sent them to a public *lycee*. An eloquent and pathetic passage might be delivered on the untimely death of the Duc d' Orleans, the father of the Comte de Paris; and the Duc d'Aumale might skilfully suggest that if Providence had not thus cut short a noble life, France might have been spared from the miseries amid which she has been drifting ever since she cut herself loose from the anchor of constitutional monarchy. Then might come a picture of the Count of Paris himself, the concluding and glowing description of the virtues and the talents which the father had transmitted to the son. His dignity in exile, the part that he had taken in the American War, the military talents that he might display if the field lay open, the literary powers that would soothe by their richness the fatigue of a toiling politician, the thirst for the accumulation of facts that he had learned in the land which is the home of ordered freedom, the wisdom and the foresight which were proof against the temptations of political excess, might all be woven into a plausible presentation of the beauties that would come to France with Louis Philippe II.

A good deal of this eulogy would be strictly true. The Comte de Paris is a young man of high personal character and considerable talents. He is unstained by the atrocities, far less by the crimes, of the Imperial régime. He seems to be inseparable from the princely state. He has not lived a life of the laborious idleness which is filled up by the thing called "sport." From his youth he has been a student, and he has candidly dit d himself to do the work of a constitutional King, not by shooting pheasants, but by mastering blue-books. He has travelled, and he has seen as much of real warfare as he could learn while General M'Clellan was trying to defeat the Confederates by a kind of engineering which startled a profuse employment of spade industry. At Talladega in the Confederate Parish had abundant time to make himself acquainted with the reasons why the English Monarchy had succeeded and the French had failed. Seeing the great part which Trades' Unions were playing in England, and which they might play in France, he also specially studied the Labours of the Royal Commission that investigated the doings of these institutions some years ago, and the result has been two very respectable books. One, written while he was in England, gives a strikingly fair account of the Trade Societies. It is totally free from that unreasoning prejudice with which they are once regarded by most English men of social position and wealth. Another was written after he returned to France, and it was intended for the use of a Commission of the National Assembly with information which it had solicited from him. It presents the same tone of fairness as the first account, but it is much more mature. It is, in fact, a sort of Blue-book, the first perhaps ever written by a man of his rank. We are bound to add that both works, if conspicuously free from the prejudices of France, are equally free from big loquaciousness. They are, indeed, rather dull. If they are a fair experiment of the Prince's literary powers, he will never be a brilliant writer, although he should study Voltaire all the days of his life, and write as much. Like the Duc d'Aumale, however, he must have a strong passion for the exercise of the literary craft; because he has toiled at the composition of large history, amid all the turmoil of French politics during the last two years.

The Comte de Paris has other advantages. His friends praise the soundness and the gentleness of his judgment. Mr. Hervey, the editor of the *Journal de Paris*, and therefore the official zoologist of the Orleans House, breaks out into ecstasies over his youthful wisdom. His aims are to believe that the Comte de Paris unites "the undeviating and profound spirit of William of Orange to the good grace and the charm which were absent from the melancholy founder of Constitutional Monarchy in England." It is easy to smile at so preposterous a compliment, and yet to admit that the Comte de Paris is a very sensible young man. If he were not a very sensible young man, he would be no grandson of Louis Philippe. He some indeed a paragon of good-sense when compared with his Quixotic cousin. All that cousin's talk about Divine Right, the White Flag, and the Church seem as absurd to the critic of Paris as they do to an ordinary Englishman. The present writer had the advantage of talking with him about the Comte de Chambord's professions at the very time when one of the White-Flag letters spread confusion through the whole camp of the Royalists; and it is no breach of confidence to say that the young Prince would not have dismissed his cousin's semi-supernatural claims with more polite contempt if he had been an English Member of Parliament. He said that he and his relative differed so widely on fundamental questions as to make it useless for them to discuss their positions. He held that by the Louis Philippe, or rather by the English, idea that a limited and hereditary monarchy was the best form of government, because it united the strength of tradition to the force of the popular will. He recognised his cousin as the head of the Royal House, because it was important to keep the hereditary claim unbroken; but the distinctive claims of Legitimacy were bowed aside with polite and silent scorn. It is true that he afterwards went to see his cousin, and did him some kind of homage; but, it is said, he went against his own will. Strictly construed, the visit may have meant merely that he admitted his cousin to be older than himself, and hence, in the ordinary course of events, the nearest heir to the Throne; but the multitude do not draw precise legal inferences, and M. Thiers correctly anticipated what they would say when, on hearing of the interview, he rubbed his hands, and declared the Orleanists to be undone. If was instantly said that they had abandoned the principles of Constitutional government, and the Comte de Chambord has lost no opportunity of assuming in the face of France that such he the case. A Radical paper said that one of the main pillars was like a family vault, large enough to bury the whole House of Bourbon. The last effort to form a Fusion showed, it is true, that the breach between the two families was as wide as ever; but on the other hand, the Orleanist Princes ostentatiously proclaim that they are not pretenders to the Throne. Their journal states that they will make no step towards the Crown without the consent of the Comte de Chambord. This means that they would be very happy if he would abdicate. But he does not show the slightest disposition to retire from the trust of Providence by handing the White Flag to a Prince who would stain its purity with two ugly bars of red and blue. A more probable cause than loyalty prevents the Comte de Paris from becoming a pretender to the Throne. He does not like to ban it, because if he did he would unfit up the Royalist party, and destroy even his small chances. The Royalists are strong only so long as the Legitimists and the Orleanists act together, but they would be overpowered if they were to fight singly. The Comte de Paris, then, is no pretender, for the all-sufficient reason that he dare not be.

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GAMBLING HOUSES.

WHEN France was so much overcome that it seemed doubtful whether she would be obliged to resort to the intellectual expedient of authorising a currency of leather coins, a sympathising American turned up and offered to rebuild St. Cloud and all the burned monuments of Paris on condition of being allowed to set up a gambling house in the Rue de Rivoli. He was sent about his business; but his suggestion found many approvers, and one of the most urgent arguments advanced for him was that Paris possessed so many gambling houses already that one big hell which should swallow up all the others, and work under the supervision of Government, would be no worse rather than a nuisance. There was half a truth in this argument, and the half truth still exists, for excepting Pekin, where Chinamen placidly gamble away their shirts in the cool of evening, there is not a city where cards and dice have such a good time of it as in Paris. We say nothing of the fashionable clubs which are, however, no better than casinos in disguise, nor of the betting agencies which have brought over to Paris such a queer colony of English bookmakers, and which, or we greatly mistake, will be swept away some morning between this and next spring as cleanly as with a besom. Most of the Parisian gambling is carried on in private *hapts*, some of which are winked at by the police for the facilities they are supposed to afford in netting sharpers and foreign adventurers; while the rest flourish clandestinely until the day when some victim goes to the police and lodges a complaint, which generally occurs within three months after the establishment has been set going. M. Renault, the Prefect of Police, has energetically set his face against *wagots*, and not a week passes without his agents unearthing one and bringing its conductors to punishment. As the present is the season when, owing to the incursions of foreign tourists and provinciale, the Paris gambling hells make most dupes, we may as well spend an hour in seeing one of them brought to grief by what in police slang is called a *razzia*. We have obtained leave to accompany the detectives, and at midnight find ourselves in the Rue de Jerusalem talking with M. Claude, chief of the Surete Department. A terribly keen man is M. Claude. Short, thickset, and bluff, with a grey moustache and blue eyes, clear as hawk's, he enjoys a bodily strength almost prodigious, and is endowed with a memory so retentive that a person once arrested by him hangs up his photograph, as it were, for ever after in M. Claude's mind. In other respects, M. Claude is a pleasant, chatty man; and nothing can be less fussy than the way in which he marshals his agents and discloses to them on what business they have been summoned. There are eleven of these agents. They are unarmed, and carry handcuffs; but each has in his pocket a bit of stick about two inches long, used for better clenching the fist in case of blows, and also a yard of strong whipcord. When they have all arrived we leave on to the quay, where six cabs are waiting. The agents break up into pairs, one to each vehicle, and away we go in the first cab, which bears M. Claude and a whiskered detective six feet high, over the first bridge, and so to the right bank of the Seine towards one of the wealthiest quarters of Paris. The precaution of not apprising the detectives until the last moment of what business they are to perform is said to be necessary lest one of them should be tempted by the weakness of human nature to sell his information to the interested parties; and indeed, as well is the information kept that none of the agents will know until they reach the door which particular house they are going to invade. M. Claude is not so reticent, however, with amateurs, and from what we can gather of his confidences whispered in Pacifique—a tongue which the sixfoot agent does not comprehend—the house in question is one that has been at work for almost two years, and is respectably conducted. The other describes herself as a polish widow, countess of course, and receives guests of great fortune and distinction. Whether the police have conducted her proceedings M. Claude naturally does not state; but he hints that measures are being taken now because a young gentleman of 23 lately lost 70,000 francs there, and was driven to confess the debt to his father, a nobleman of considerable wealth, who did not receive the tidings philosophically, by the time this explanation has been given, we reach the street where the Countess resides, but we do not drive up to her door. Our cab pulls up round the corner of the adjoining street, and the five others come to a standstill behind it. At the same moment about a dozen policemen in uniform walk quietly out of the recesses of different doorways, where they had been standing apparently waiting for us, and as fast as the detectives alight from the cabs, they get in and take their places, drawing down the blinds, however, so that no crowd may be attracted by their appearance. The whole affair is conducted in a business-like way, the agents drop behind in the order of their riding, and it is understood that the last two are to remain on the pavement outside the house, the next two in the first vestibule of the house, the following pair on the first flight of stairs, while the remaining five will accompany M. Claude wherever he goes, he always keeping their places in couples and remaining about a yard separate from other pairs, so that there may be no crowding or confusion. He would be a clever gambler who could break through such an array of warders; and not one of those in the house does break through it. They are destined to be caught every one of them.

The first-to fall into the net is the well-dressed and pompous concierge. In answer to the bell he has pulled the door chain—the door has clicked open, and before he can recover from his surprise the janitor has seen eight men walk coolly past his lodge without deigning to notice him. It is only on the arrival of the ninth and tenth, who are to keep watch in the vestibule, that he learns he is a prisoner, and must neither stir from his place nor raise a cry unless he would pass his night at the Prefecture. The second victim is a footman in black clothes, who is carrying a tray of wine glasses up the staircase. An expressive though mute gesture from M. Claude causes him almost to drop this tray in horror; but he turns back without a word, slinks down pale and abashed, and becomes the prey of the two agents who are to mount guard on the stairs. Up we go over the thick-pile carpets, past the groups of statuary and flowers in the corners of the landings, past wall panels beautifully painted with subjects *a la* Watteau, and illumined by the soft light falling from globes of tinted glass, and thus to the second flight preceding the first floor. On the landing of the first floor, however, sits a footman in charge of hats and clothes brushes; and on catching sight of M. Claude he springs up, wrenches open the drawing-room door, and can be heard shouting in a voice that cracks right through the middle from emotion, "*La Rousse!*" (*Anglice*, "The peelers!") By this warning he has spoiled the *coup de théâtre* which results from the police personally introducing themselves; but M. Claude does not leave the gamblers time to profit much by their scare. He has reached the landing and passed through the door almost on the footman's heels, and, in ringing tones that admit of no trifling, he cries, "*Au nom de la Loi, que personne ne bouge!*"

Nobody does stir, at least in the sense of trying to get out of the house, for they have felt by instinct that escape is impossible. A few gentlemen, in the first impulse of fright, have rushed into neighbouring chambers, and a shrewish attired lady has fallen over a footstool in making a dart over the hearthrug; but the majority have merely risen to their legs and stand like a group of waxworks with eyes staring and features blanched. There are four ladies present and about twelve men, most of them in evening dress, and congregated round a table at which *bouillotte* was being played. The gentleman who was dealing has a large heap of gold and bank-notes before him, and he has brought his two handsdown on it with a natural gesture of protection. He is a gentleman-like looking person, with a swarthy complexion and a foreign accent; but he makes no difficulty of surrendering his heap of money to the couple of detectives who intimate to him so to do, and, indeed, he does not appear to understand that he has been guilty of an indictable offence. Several of the other gentlemen are in a similar case, and seem to resent the intrusion of the police as an unjustifiable entry into a private house. There are guileless travellers from Southern and Eastern Europe who have taken there hostess quite *en bonne*, or very young Frenchmen—there are few who do not look eighteen—who have been thinking complacently that they were enjoying themselves in highly fashionable society. But some half-dozen of the male gamblers, and the four ladies who are whimpering "*Oh, mon Dieu!*" are evidently much too innocent. There is especially one bearded gentleman, with a grandiose in his scowl, who is a trifle too well known to M. Claude, and puts on a very sickly smile as the latter nods him a recognition. As for the Countess—she is handsome, vivacious woman, rather past thirty, and very splendidly arrayed in blue silk and with jewellery. With trembling lips and a face grown cadaverous, she affects to be indignant at this invasion of her privacy, and mutters broken threats of complaining to the Russian Ambassador; but his bit of acting is not very successful, and soon finding no one disposed to listen to her, she collapses on to a mauve satin sofa and cries. Meanwhile the six agents, paper and pencil in hand, are going round collecting names, and when this formality has been complied with, ladies are permitted to depart in safety, gentlemen are conducted to the police office, and all have to come to the station-house you who have self-respect, however, will at once—so the coachman is told the direction. At this there is another outburst of indignation, especially from the ladies whose not freely to have satisfactory references; but the gentlemen with more or pretend to feel, secure of their own integrity, content themselves with a mere formal protest. Then comes the moment for drafting out the company in pairs. First the ladies are motioned out. They are allowed to fetch their cloaks—being escorted the while—and they descend the staircase two by two; when they reach the street door they will find the cabs waiting for them, and will be driven to the Prefecture in the custody of the policemen in uniform. The same fate awaits the gentlemen whom M. Claude suspects to be sharpers, but the others are allowed to walk out quietly, each with one detective accompanying him, and when they get out of doors other cabs will be hailed to convey them to the Rue de Jerusalem. It should be mentioned that all the stakes found on the table have been collected in a handkerchief and shovelled into M. Claude's pocket; and the whole process of invading the house and conveying away the delinquents has required little more than half an hour.

And now what will become of the prisoners? This is often a matter of mystery, for the Parisian police have sufficient power to deal with gamblers without appealing to the courts, and without making any noise. If the Countess—were particularly guilty she could be prosecuted and sent to prison for two years; but the police would most probably dispose of her and of the other three ladies by imprisoning them summarily at St. Lazare for six months—that is provided, of course, that the "Countess" had not a tacit understanding with the police. The sharpers could also be dealt with summarily by being expelled from Paris as vagabonds after a three months' "precautionary detention," during which their antecedents would be carefully inquired into. As to the "pigeons," they would be released, or if minors, restored to their families immediately after furnishing satisfactory "references." They would also receive a friendly warning to be more cautious for the future; but experience does not prove that these warnings made much

CORAL REEFS IN THE PACIFIC.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE TIMES."

SIR,—With regard to the very interesting account published by you in *The Times* of Friday last of the perils of the mail steamer Tartar on her voyage from Sydney to San Francisco, will you allow me to remark, in the interests of commerce, science, and possibly as a curious fact, that the coral composing the reefs in the Pacific Ocean would appear to be much softer than the coral found in the Eastern seas?

In the month of March last I was a passenger from Sydney to San Francisco in the mail steamer Milazo, of the same line as the Tartar. In going into the harbour of Honolulu (Sandwich Islands) the pilot miscalculated the great length (some 420ft. over all) of the vessel in turning her to get into the fairway to the harbour, and put her upon a coral reef, where she thumped and bumped to such an extent that I, having had many years' experience of what the result of bumping upon coral reefs in the Eastern Archipelago is, fully expected that she would knock her bottom in, an opinion likewise shared by the captain, who had great experience of the coral reefs in Torres Straits.

But not a bit of it; she stamped and thumped a bed for herself in the coral, and eventually, with the help of the engines, fairly kicked herself off the reef into deep water, leaving her keel quite white all round about where she had been lying on the coral, and crushed up the coral; and upon our obtaining the services of two divers from the British man-of-war Tamedos, lying at Honolulu at the time, the Milazo was found to have received no damage whatever.

Now, the result of many years of my experience in the East-in Archipelago of coral reefs is that vessels going on to them at full speed rarely get off again, and if they do get off they are usually badly smashed up. The coral above, though in the usual well-known beautiful, fantastic shapes, is exceedingly hard, close, tough, and heavy; even a small pinnacle of it can only be broken off with a smart blow of the sledge hammer or coping tool, when the fractured parts present the appearance of a tough stone.

The Pacific coral must surely be of this description.

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